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		10 years.	15 years.	20 years.	15 years.	20 years.	25 years.
	Rs. as.	Rs. as.	Rs. as.	Rs. as.	Rs. as.	Rs. as.	Rs. as.
20	21 10	42 8	30 5	23 7	64 8	49 6	40 0
21	22 1	43 4	30 14	23 15	64 8	49 6	40 0
22	22 9	43 0	30 7	23 7	64 8	49 6	40 0
23	22 1	43 13	31 0	23 15	64 8	49 6	40 0
24	22 9	44 8	31 10	24 7	64 11	49 6	40 0
25	24 2	45 5	32 4	25 0	64 12	49 6	40 0
26	24 11	45 13	32 12	25 9	64 15	49 6	40 0
27	25 5	46 0	33 0	26 2	65 1	49 6	40 0
28	26 15	46 14	33 5	26 12	65 4	49 6	40 0
29	26 9	47 13	34 2	27 6	65 10	49 6	40 0
30	27 15	48 8	34 10	27 14	65 13	49 6	40 0
31	28 11	49 4	35 2	28 6	66 0	49 6	40 0
32	29 8	49 15	35 10	28 15	66 4	49 6	40 0
33	30 6	50 11	36 3	29 12	66 8	49 6	40 0
34	31 5	51 8	36 12	30 3	66 12	49 6	40 0
35	32 5	52 8	37 0	30 10	67 2	49 6	40 0
36	33 5	53 8	37 8	31 2	67 6	49 6	40 0
37	34 6	54 12	38 0	31 9	67 10	49 6	40 0
38	35 8	55 13	38 8	32 5	67 14	49 6	40 0
39	36 8	57 1	39 1	32 12	68 3	49 6	40 0
40	37 11	58 2	39 8	33 4	68 7	49 6	40 0
41	39 0	59 3	40 2	33 11	68 11	49 6	40 0
42	40 2	60 4	40 8	34 3	68 15	49 6	40 0
43	41 5	61 5	40 14	34 8	69 3	49 6	40 0
44	42 8	62 6	41 3	34 13	69 7	49 6	40 0
45	43 12	63 7	41 8	35 2	69 11	49 6	40 0
46	45 1	64 8	41 13	35 7	69 15	49 6	40 0
47	46 3	65 9	42 2	35 11	70 3	49 6	40 0
48	47 6	66 10	42 7	36 1	70 7	49 6	40 0
49	48 10	67 11	42 12	36 5	70 11	49 6	40 0
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51	51 6	69 13	43 6	36 13	71 3	49 6	40 0
52	52 11	70 14	43 11	37 1	71 7	49 6	40 0
53	54 4	71 15	43 15	37 5	71 11	49 6	40 0
54	55 10	73 1	44 4	37 9	71 15	49 6	40 0
55	57 5	74 2	44 8	37 12	72 3	49 6	40 0

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ON and from the 12th June, 1905, the following EXTRA LOCAL PASSENGER TRAINS will cease to run until further notice.

DOWN TRAINS.

No. 62 Extra Thana passenger,	No. 123 Extra Kurla passenger,
P. M.	P. M.
Vik. Towards ...	19 20
Bandra Jn. Dep. 4 50	20 2
Kurla ... Arr. 5 20	
Do. ... Dep. 5	
Thana ... Arr. 10	

UP TRAINS:

No. 99 Extra Thana passenger,	No. 124 Extra Kurla passenger,
P. M.	P. M.
Thana ... Dep. 12 25	
Kurla ... Arr.	
Do. ... Dep.	91 15
Vikroli ...	
Bombay ... Arr. 17 30	21 55

A. MUIRHEAD, General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, the 8th June, 1905.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

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A. MUIRHEAD, General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 1st June, 1905.

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NOTICE is hereby given that BHAGWANDAS JAMNADAS was contracted TO SELL to our client the following property:—All persons having any claim to the same or any part thereof by way of inheritance, charge, lien, mortgage, lease, sale, gift, or otherwise are required to make the same known to the Undersigned at their Office at 57, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, after which date the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same shall be deemed to have been waived.

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NOTICE.

TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY of:—

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Painter's stores
Timber of sorts
Metal of sorts
Miscellaneous stores

for the Indore State Work Shop to the value of Rs. 10,000.

Detailed list of articles required can be obtained from the Superintendent of the State Work Shop at Indore by whom tenders must be received up to the 1st July 1905, and will be opened on the same date at 4 P. M.

All Tenders must be accompanied by Rs 500 in cash or Government Promissory notes which will be refunded in the event of the tender being accepted. In case of accepted tender the money will be refunded on completion of contract, and at the time noted in accepting Tender. Penalty will be enforced at a rate of Rs. 5 per week and any excess in rate paid for such materials to others will be deducted from the bill or earnest money.

A fine of Rs 2 will be levied for every day's delay in supply of stores for one week giving notice for cancelling the tenders.

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W. F. NICOL, Superintendent, General Workshop.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, JUNE 8.

SECURITIES—

2 1-2 per cent. Consols	£90 15/16	= + 3/8
3 do. Rentes	£99 3/4	= unchanged
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	£105	= do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	£85 11/16	= do

SILVER—

Spot in London	27	= + 1/8
2 months bacon	26 13/16	= + 1/8
Spot in New York	58 3/8	= + 1/4

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques	25·18 1/2	= unchanged
Berlin	20·43 1/2	= do
New York Demand	4·87	= do

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England	2 1/2 per cent	= unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills	2	per cent = do
3 " " "	2 1/8 per cent	= do
3 " " Fine Trade Bills	2 3/8 per cent	= do
3 months sight Fine Trade Bills	2 5/8 per cent	= do

INTEREST—

Day to day loans	1 3/8 per cent	= do
7 day marked loans	1 1/2 per cent	= 1/8

Extra Council Bills allotments Rs. 20,000 on Bombay, at 1s. 4 15/32.

SUGAR—

German granulated 1st marks 14 1 1/2 buyers, tone steady.

COFFEE—

Coffee in New York, 7 3/4 unchanged

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed quiet. East Indian Market. Manchester steady. Total sales 8,000 bales, Spot 4,500 unchd. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 1-8 unchd. Sold on speculation and for Export 500 bales. Imports 20,000 bales. Futures closed steady.

June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
4·48	4·48	4·48
+6	+6	+7
Sept-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec
4·48	4·48	4·48
+7	+7	+7
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar
4·49	4·50	4·51
+7	+7	+7

Receipts at U S Ports ..... 10,000 bales
Do last year ..... 1,700 do
Exports to Great Britain ..... 25,000 do
Do Continent ..... 8,000 do

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	8·55 + 15
Futures, month of	8·07 + 15
Do do. December	8·32 + 14

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	8 5/16 + 1-8
Futures, month of Sept	8·21 + 14
Do, do. Dec	8·36 + 15
Tone at close	firm

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Thursday, 8th June 1905 :—

Cotton	6,391 bales.
Wheat	30,467 cwts.
Linseed	10,833 do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	2,226 do
Gingellyseed	162 do
Poppyseed	4,393 do
Groundnuts	223 do
Castorseed	339 do
Rice	5,049 do
Myrabolams	227 do
Cottonseed	15,161 do
Mowrasseed	143 do
Gram	2,615 do
Joowar	7,107 do
Maize	201 do

BOMBAY, FRIDAY, JUNE 9.

COTTON.

During the past week a reaction took place in the American Markets owing to the Agricultural Bureau Report being considered more favourable than was anticipated. After the publication of the Report, Spot Cotton in New York fell 25 points and July futures 33 points. For the following three days there was a small but steady decline, but this morning's messages advise a jump of 15 points all round. The cause of this rise is attributed by Reuter to "firm cables" and "firmness in New Orleans," and not to any change in the weather conditions. Private advices during the week reported favorable weather, and the Crop prospects much improved, but the last day of two there is said to have been more heavy rain. It will however take very heavy and continuous rain to injure the plants now, in fact nothing short of floods should do so. As long as the market is at the mercy of speculators any chance will be seized upon to rig it to suit their purposes, and we are fully prepared for violent fluctuations until Crop prospects are reliably ascertained, which will not be for some time to come.

The Liverpool market followed New York early in the week, but the firmer tendency came first from there. Spot Cotton is unchanged to-day in Liverpool, though futures are 7 points up, and we await to-morrow's reports with interest, the opening telegrams this evening being very strong.

The following are daily quotations for Spot Middling Americans in Liverpool and New York since the last mail left.

Liverpool	New York.
June 2nd...4·70	8·50
" 3rd...4·69	8·50
" 5th...4·68	8·40
" 6th...4·69	8·40
" 7th...4·69	8·40
" 8th...4·70	8·55

The following are the daily quotations for futures in Liverpool for June-July, and New York for July :—

	Liverpool.	New York.
June-July	[illegible]	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	[illegible]

The local [illegible] of the week [illegible] Sterling [illegible]

Week's arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay :—

Cotton	61,884 bales
Wheat	264,765 cwts
Linseed	112,612 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard	16,176 "
Gingellyseed	3,042 "
Poppyseed	24,993 "
Groundnuts	3 327 "
Castorseed	63,32 "
Rice	197,480 "
Myrabolams	3,304 "
Cottonseed	133,202 "
Mowrasseed	1,200 "
Gram	23,103 "
Joowar	80,238 "
Maize	Nil "

FREIGHTS.

The market is steady at 14s to 14s 3d seed, and 14s 6d to 14s 9d wheat for Continental ports. Some rates have been made at 13s 6d Antwerp ready. The enquiry is limited at present. For forward there is very little doing.

The following fixtures are reported :—

S.S. "Prah," Marmagoa to 2 ports U. K., at 14s June.

S.S. "Vauxhall Bridge," at 14s 3d, 2 ports U. K June.

S.S. "Idar" at 13s 9d for Hull, June,

S.S. "Havraise," at 14s p. p. June.

MONEY.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since	9th March	2½	per cent.
Bank of Bombay	do. 14th April	5	do.
Bank of Bengal	do. 27th April	4	do,
Bank of Madras	do. 18th June	6	do.

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 3rd June as compared with that of the 27th May :—

LIABILITIES.

Public Deposits	Rs	21,31,876	Decrease
Other Deposits	"	2,72,576	Increase
Sundries	"	74,719	do

ASSETS.

Government Securities	Rs.	12,19147	Decrease
Other Authorized Securities	"	11,130	do.
Credits on Securities	"	3,42,892	Increase
Loans, do.	"	31,468	Decrease
Bills discounted & purchased	"	27,34,131	do.
Balance with other Banks	"	4,29 324	do.
Sundries	"	81,554	Increase
Cash	"	23,95,223	do

The Bank of Bombay Weekly Cash Balance is 23 lakhs up, and the Bank rate is unchanged at 5 per cent per annum.

The Bank of Bengal Weekly Cash balance is 49 lakhs down and the Bank rate remains at 4 per cent per annum.

The Bank of Madras Weekly Cash balance is 10 1/2 lakh up and the Bank rate is unchanged at 6 per cent. per annum.

COUNCIL BILLS.

The total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday last was 50 lakhs. At the Weekly Allotment on Wednesday the Secretary of State put up 30 lakhs for tender, of which amount 25'40 lakhs were taken in Bills at 1s. 4d. and 4'60 lakhs in Telegraphic Transfers at 1s. 4 1-32d, tenderers at these rates receiving 11 per cent. Extra allotments were made during the week of 11·76 lakhs Bills at 1s. 4d., and after the Bidding 1'60 lakhs extra Bills were given at 1s. 4 32d. The amount advertised for sale next week is 30 lakhs.

The mail of the 26th brings £60,000 gold to Bombay and £30,000 silver and £30,000 gold to Calcutta and the following Council Bills.

Calcutta	Rs.	4,30,000
Bombay	"	14,10,000
Madras	"	4,40,000
Total...	Rs.	22,80,000

The mail of the 2nd June brings £10,000 silver and £60,000 gold to Bombay and the following Council Bills,

Calcutta	Rs.	8,50,000
Bombay	"	8,20,000
Madras	"	9,70,000
Total...	Rs.	26,40,000

The mail of the 9th June brings £2,40,0000 silver and £70,000 gold for Bombay and £60,000 gold for Calcutta, and the following Council Bills.

Calcutta	Rs.	14,60,000
Bombay	"	18,90,000
Madras	"	5,50,000
Total...	Rs.	39,00,000

EXCHANGE.

Last Wednesday the Secretary of State sold the 30 lakhs Council drafts offered at 1s. 4d. Demand and 1s. 4 1/32d. Telegraphic, these prices being 1/32d. better than last weeks.

Sterling rates are firm.—All Banks are sellers at 1s. 4d. T. T. and 1s. 4 1/32d. Demand, and one or two Banks have given T. T. at 1s. 4 1/32d. for cash. For September and October 1s. 4 1/32d. T. T. is freely offered, but there is very little enquiry for Bank remittances. For Mercantile paper, 3 months' sight D. A. Bills 1s. 4 5/32d. and 6 months' sight 1s. 4 1/4d. are the best rates obtainable for June and July, but little or nothing is offering at these rates. We quote as follows :—

EXCHANGE—Tone steady.

Bank T. T.	...	...	1s. 4 31-32d.
Bank Demand	...	...	1s. 4 1-32d.
Credit Bills	3 Months Sight	D.A.	1s. 4 5-32d.
do.	do.	do.	1s. 4 1-4d.
French Francs	3 do.	do.	100 3-4.
Marcks	3 do.	do.	133 to 133 1-4
Hongkong	30 Days Sight	...	137
Shanghai	30	do.	192 3-4
Japan	30	do.	149

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

Since we last wrote, the market has been weak and the business reported on a limited scale. A gradual but steady decline has taken place in prices the drop at the beginning of the week, being at the rate of 1/16 a day. On Thursday, however, owing to the paucity of business, rates were more or less nominal, and a further fall of 3-16 took place during the day. Until the announcement regarding the New Loan is made, operators are chary of doing anything. To-day the market closest quiet as under.

3 1-2 per cent, cash	98-6
3 1-2 per cent,	98-5
3 per cent, ready	88-0

	Repayable.	Rate.	
4 per cent Bombay Port Trust	1925	104	0
4 per cent " "	1930	105	0
4 per cent " "	1932	105	0
4 per cent " "	1964	103	0
3 per cent Bombay Municipal	1934	104	10
4 per cent " "	1943	104	8
5 per cent " "	Tanna	120	
5 per cent " "	Sanitary	117	
4 per cent Bo. Imp. Trust	1959	103	8
4 per cent " "	1964	104	4

BULLION.

Silver has advanced during the week in sympathy with London prices. The banks have sold a fair amount since our last report, and the market closes steady as under—

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold	24	0	3
Australian Bar Gold	24	0	3
Bombay do	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns	15	0	0
Do. Dragons	15	0	0
Silver ex-duty Ready	69	4	0
Do. 1st settlement	69	14	6
Do. 2nd do.	68	8	0

PIECE GOODS.

The market is quiet owing to the continued absence of demand from Up-Country. Prices are somewhat weaker, and to a certain extent nominal. For forward business there is no enquiry at practicable rates, and there is little likelihood of any improvement until the rains set in.

LOCAL YARNS.

The following telegrams have been received from China since the last mail left :—

	Unsold.	Uncleared.	Weekly Sales
Shanghai	95,000	45,000	2,000
Hong-Kong	30,000	25,000	3,000
	95,000	70,000	5,000 bales

165,000 bales.

The local market is quiet and unchanged.

METALS.

COPPER AND YELLOW METAL.—The market for Copper has advanced, and a good forward business is reported to have been done for early shipment. Yellow Metal is steady, and in anticipation of an advance in sympathy with Copper, dealers have done a large business this week, both ready and foward.

IRON AND STEEL are quiet with a small business passing.

SPELTER is quiet but steady.

PIGLEAD AND QUICKSILVER—Nothing doing.

COALS.

There has been a better enquiry this week for near and forward shipments of Bengal, and sales have been made of 3,000 tons each of Ranegung and Heilger's Anthracite at our quotations. Small ready parcels of Desherghar fetched as much as Rs. 12-8 per ton. We quote as follows :—

Cardiff	Rs. 16-0	Per ton.
Davidson's West Hartley	Rs. 13-8	do
South Yorkshire	Rs. 12-8	do
Desherghar	Rs. 11-12	do
Seebpore	Rs. 11-4	do
Jardine's Navigation	Rs. 11-0	do
Heilger's Anthracite	Rs. 10-12	do
Heilger's Standard	Rs. 10-4	do
Ranegung	Rs. 9-4	do

SHARES.

The market is quiet. Bank of Bombay shares are reported to have changed hands at [illegible] shares are Rs 1,367 1/2 during the week [illegible] or less. A large quiet and have all declined [illegible] Mill Shares are reported number of Bombay Limited to have changed hands at Rs 500. [illegible] Manufacturing declined to Rs 220. Bombay 4½. Central Indias have changed hands at [illegible] to Rs 1,670. Chinas have ruled at Rs 840, Currimbhais to Rs 860, [illegible] ents are weak at Rs 560, Colaba Land have remained unchanged at Rs 685 to Rs 690, Koorla are quiet at Rs 785. Davids are quiet at Rs 395. Empress have changed hands at Rs 375. Framji Petits have declined to Rs 975. Hindoostan to Rs 580, Howard and Bullough to Rs 560. Indian Manufacturing are quiet at Rs 740. Jamsetjee Coopres are quiet at Rs 475. Jamsheds have declined to Rs 300. Jewraj Balloo was reported to [illegible] Rs 515. Khata Makanji to Rs 500. Leopolds to Rs 105, Lukhmidas to Rs 515 Manekji Petits to Rs 2,120. Morarjis and Sholapur are unchanged at Rs 2,160 and Rs 2,625 respectively. Soondersi have improved to Rs 170, Southern Mahrattas have come down to Rs 205 ; Crescent Mill shares are quiet at Rs 107 ; Sun Mill to Rs 215. Standards to Rs 735. Swadeshis have changed hands at and about to Rs 1,402, but later on they declined to Rs 1,380. Western Indias are quiet at Rs 533. Kohinoors have remained unchanged at Rs 630 to Rs 625. Laxmi Cotton are quiet at Rs 1,225. Centuries are steady at Rs 1,725. Textiles at Rs 1,025, Ahmedabad Advance are steady at Rs 695. In Miscellaneous list Badnam Piles have changed hands at Rs 153 C.D Bombay-Burmahs are steady at Rs 8,700, Quarter shares at Rs 2,200. Marcks are steady at Rs 144. Port Cannings are unchanged at Rs 442 1/2, Treachers at Rs 600 ; Bombay Telephone have changed hands at Rs 29. In Press Coupanies Mofussils are unchanged at Rs -565, New Berar have declined to Rs 505, Indian Cotton are quiet at Rs 105. Volkarts at Rs 1,095. In Railway Companies Ahmedabad Prantej have changed hands at Rs 527 1/3, Tapti Valley at Rs 405, The rest unchanged at previous quotations.

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THE WEATHER.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SIMLA, JUNE 9.

The general rain has fallen on Burma Coast, and local rain in Assam, Bengal, Bihar, Punjab, West Coast, Peninsula, and Tavoy report 2 inches, of rain Silchar, Calicut, Karwar 1 1/2 inches, Sibsagar, Cherra-poonji, Bellary, and Mangalore 1 inch Montgomery Bijapur, and Trivandrum 1/2 an inch. The general rain is likely on middle and Lower Burma Coasts, and local rain in the Punjab and south Peninsula. Rain is also possible in Assam and Bengal.

THE WEATHER AT SEA.

THE Anchor Line steamer Arabia, Captain George Read, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Liverpool, reports having experienced moderate to light W. S. W. winds. The P. and O. Company steamer Mazagon, Captain W. H. S. Hall, which arrived in harbour on Thursday, met with heavy weather from Singapore to Colombo, vessel Rise. The B. I. S. N. Company steamer Nerbudda, Captain H. Mackay, arrived in harbour on the 8th inst. had fresh southerly wind and moderate sea.

THE WEATHER AT MATHERAN.

The following are the weather observations at Matheran :—

Date	Temperature Max.	Min.	Rainfall Inches	Cents
7th	82·5	70·2	0	00

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A. M. ON FRIDAY, THE 9TH OF JUNE.

STATIONS.	Pressure 8 A.M.	Direction.	Wind. Average hours.	Temperature in Shade. Maximum of past 24 hours.	Minimum of past 24 hours.	Humidity 8 A.M.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours.	Since 1st June to date.	Variation on 1st June to date.
Bushire	29·653	Calm	3	96·0	84·4	74	.....	0·00	0·00
Jask	29·618	E	7	100·3	79·2	38	.....	0·11	— 0·11
Muscat	29·703	WSW	10	97·	87·0	54	.....	0·00	— 0·35
Aden (28th)	29·667	ENE	16	93·2	83·3	71	.....	0·00	0·00
Lahore	29·694	NE	6	102·9	76·2	53	0·01	0·16	+ 0·24
Sibsa	29·670	Calm	3	95·3	74·1	72	.....	0·27	— 0·19
Delhi	29·695	NW	8	104·7	77·3	56	.....	0·27	— 1·11
Agra	29·696	NE	4	103·0	77·9	58	0·20	0·16	— 1·74
Cawnpore	29·707	NW	4	100·4	81·2	58	.....	0·00	— 0·43
Allahabad	29·705	WNW	9	101·2	80·4	57	.....	0·00	0·00
Jhansi	29·730	WNW	8	97·9	82·0	63	0·11	0·34	+ 0·30
Jacobabad	29·700	ESE	13	105·3	77·7	40	.....	0·00	0·00
Karachi	29·694	W	18	99·4	81·2	74	.....	0·00	0·00
Jeypore	29·689	Calm	6	100·7	77·1	46	.....	0·00	+ 0·11
Ajmere	29·666	ESE	6	101·4	79·3	67	0·41	0·69	+ 0·22
Deesa	29·686	SW	26	101·8	81·0	60	.....	0·01	— 0·01
Ahmedabad	29·713	SSW	15	102·2	81·6	61	.....	0·00	— 0·04
Bhuj	29·674	W	30	95·3	78·8	76	.....	0·13	— 0·13
Jamnagar	29·689	WSW	22	100·1	81·2	66	.....	0·04	— 0·04
Dwarka	29·720	SW	24	89·4	82·0	79	.....	.....	.....
Hajirot	29·703	WSW	22	100·9	79·0	68	.....	0·20	— 0·20
Bhavnagar Para	29·725	SW	18	101·6	82·0	65	.....	0·44	— 0·41
Veraval	29·735	SW	17	89·1	82·7	86	.....	0·01	+ 0·03
Neemuch	29·703	WSW	20	97·	76·7	56	.....	0·20	— 0·20
Indore	29·734	W	14	93·6	79·1	67	.....	0·44	— 0·84
Nagpur	29·654	W	14	98·1	76·1	50	.....	0·43	+ 0·06
Jubbulpore	29·701	NW	8	103·1	78·1	45	.....	0·00	— 0·01
Hoshungabad	29·707	WNW	8	101·1	80·7	54	.....	0·76	0·74
Khandwa	29·733	WNW	8	100·2	80·6	54	.....	0·76	0·74
Raipur	29·692	W	8	102·3	80·2	.....	.....	0·76	0·51
Nagpur	29·678	NW	9	100·7	81·0	42	.....	1·22	0·47
Akola	29·684	WNW	11	103·2	82·0	45	.....	1·06	0·82
Akola	29·725	WNW	16	105·7	82·9	19	.....	0·77	0·77
Surat	29·705	W	14	93·6	81·74	.....	.....	2·66	0·53
Malegaon	29·723	WSW	10	97·3	79·46	.....	.....	4·76	1·00
Bombay	29·786	W	8	93·2	83·4	70	.....	1·56	2·79
Poona	29·783	W	18	96·0	74·4	64	.....	1·81	1·10
Ahmednagar	29·793	NW	18	95·0	69·8	36	.....	0·16	1·56
Aurangabad	29·756	W	23	90·9	73·2	50	.....	1·22	.....
Sholapur	29·794	NW	13	94·2	76·2	50	.....	2·15	1·46
Ratnagiri	29·824	Calm	6	91·4	79·6	64	.....	3·66	5·91
Bijapur	29·794	W	13	97·4	73·2	63	.....	8·22	1·93
Belgaum	29·816	WSW	17	93·3	69·7	71	.....	3·17	1·79
Marmagoa	29·849	Calm	3	90·0	81·6	76	0·05	5·46	2·22
Karwar	29·813	NNW	5	89·5	76·2	77	.....	7·21	4·57
Mangalore	29·841	ESE	5	89·6	75·92	73	.....	7·35	6·03
Calicut	29·814	ESE	9	85·7	76·7	90	0·01	1·62	6·24
Cochin	29·857	Calm	4	88·2	74·7	82	0·38	0·65	5·49
Bangalore	29·870	SW	8	86·2	64·4	73	.....	0·13	2·66
Hyderabad Deccan	29·731	W	6	91·9	69·14	.....	.....	1·93	0·88
Masulipatam	29·921	WNW	10	107·7	81·95	.....	.....	1·06	0·73
Bellary	29·781	NNW	8	102·0	73·86	.....	.....	0·64	0·42
Cuddapa	29·763	W	M	103·0	78·96	091	.....	0·56	0·76
Madras	29·756	S	9	100·0	82·94	.....	.....	0·20	0·49
Coimbatore	29·821	WSW	9	94·4	75·1	67	.....	0·38	— 0·33
Trichinopoly	29·810	Calm	4	99·1	74·66	0·91	.....	0·00	0·00
Nagapatam	29·795	SW	4	97·8	79·96	69	.....	0·22	— 0·05
Colombo	29·891	SW	12	85·0	77·05	0·27	3·07	2·65	

In column Wind "Rate per hour" L=Light, M=Moderate F=Fresh, S=Strong, H=Heavy.

Bombay Local Rainfall :—J, J, H=0·25 (0·25) ; G. T. H.=0·35 (0·35) ; St. G, H.=0·30 (0·30) ; C. P.=0·01 (0·09).

SUMMARY.

Pressure has increased briskly in Sind and at Sirsa and has changed irregularly and by small amounts elsewhere. The barometer is in moderate to large excess of normal over the whole country.

Winds are south-easterly at Cochin, Mangalore and Masulipatam, and south-westerly to north-westerly at several of the other reporting stations. The force has been strong in Gujarat, Lower Sind, and at Neemuch, Akola, Poona, Aurangabad, Sholapur and Nezapatam.

Temperatures.—The day temperature is from 5° to 9° in excess at Belgaum, Bijapur, Ratnagiri, Sholapur, Ahmednagar, Poona, Malegaon, Nagpur and Raipur, and 5° to 7° in defect at Agra, Delhi and Sirsa ; the night temperature is 5° to 7° in defect at Sirsa, Agra, Cawnpore, Rajkot, Ajmere, Bellary and Nizampatam, and 5° to 7° in excess at Hyderabad (Deccan) and Sholapur. The highest temperature in the shade was 108° at Nagpur and Masulipatam and the lowest 67° at Bangalore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is more or less cloudy in many places.

Rain.—Cochin reports 3·27", Calicut 1·62", Karwar 1·45", Bijapur nearly an inch, and Colombo, Madras, Jacobabad, Mormugao, Bijapur, Jaipur, Jhansi and Lahore only to moderate showers.

Weather probabilities.—Somewhat more favourable for rain on the West Coast, to the south of Ratnagiri.

Forecast.—Between 53° to 68° E., moderate to fresh south-westerly winds, occasional passing clouds and moderate south-west sea and swell ; fair to rain at arrival in port ; the morning lights, moderate to fresh south-easterly winds and both west swell and sea to-wards.

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BIRTHS.

CLARIDGE—On the 22nd May, 1905, at 3 Gloucester Walk, Campden Hill, Kensington, the wife of Captain Percy Shelley Claridge, Indian Army 29th Light Cavalry, of a son.

FAITHFULL—May 17, at Frimley wife of Lieut Col H T Faithfull late Indian Army of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BOILEAU—CHILD—May 17, at St James's Church, Piccadilly, C T Boileau, Lieutenant colonel, Royal Garrison Art, son of the late General Boileau, Bengal Eng, to Isabel Harriott Gascoigne Child, daughter of Capt H Child.

EVANS—CROSS—May 27, at Christ Church Fordsburg, Johannesburg South Africa, Capt G Evans, Army Service Corps son of General H M Evans C B Indian Army to Florence Constance, daughter of the late Col R C Cross, Indian Staff Corps.

FOSTER—RUSSELL—May 9, at Cambridge, Massachusetts, M G Foster, M D, son of Sir M Foster, K C B, to Margaret Manning, widow of W E Russell, formerly Governor of Massachusetts.

HAGGARD—ELLIS—May 26, at All Saints' Stock, Essex, W H S Haggard, lieutenant Royal Navy, of his Majesty's ship Vernon, to Dorothy Booker, daughter of H A Ellis.

LARGE—HOGGE—April 26, at Holy Trinity Church, Middelburg Transvaal, Capt P M Large, adjutant 3rd batt of Duke of Cambridge's Own Middlesex Regt to Ada Beatrice, daughter of E H Hogge.

MURPHY—HOLMES—May 23, at Christ Church, Leeson Park Dublin, E S, son of the late Right Hon Mr Justice Murphy, to Alice Louise, daughter of the Right Hon Lord Justice Holmes.

PASCOE—ROGERS—May 22, at St Botolph's, Bishopsgate, A A E, son of the late W Pascoe, to Edith Maude, only child of the late Capt F Rogers, R N.

VASEY—LORD—May 15, at Uptrook Chapel, Chadleigh, Devonshire, S W Vasey, R E, of his Majesty's ship Defiance, to Amy, daughter of the late F S Lord.

YOUNG—JACKSON—May 23, at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene Chewton Mendip, Somerset, by the Revd. C. J. Young, Vicar, Father of the Bridegroom, assisted by the Revd. J. H. Shackle, Vicar of Dropmore, Maidenhead, Brother-in-law of the Bride, and the Revd. W. A. B. Young, Curate of Rugby Parish Church, C. F. R. Young, Barrister-at-law, to Florence, widow of the late C. W. L. Jackson, Esq., Barrister-at-law, of Bombay.

DEATHS.

BAIRD—May 14, at Bellerive, Lausanne, Switzerland, H L Baird, late of the Rifle Brigade, aged 78.

BLOOMFIELD—May 21, at Bramfield House, Hertford, Georgina, Baroness Bloomfield, aged 83.

BONHAM—May 18 at Arganeo Lieut Col W F Bonham D S O, military attache to his Majesty's Embassy, Paris, aged 36.

BYRNE—May 17, at Tamar Terrace, Launceston, widow of the late E J Byrne, formerly governor of Jamaica, aged 81

GRAY—May 16, at Highgate, Harriet Barbara, widow of the late Rev T Gray, Rector of Peckham, and daughter of the late General Burrell, C B, aged 80

JERAM—May 18, at Clifton, Bristol, C W Jebb, late 60th Royal Rifles, aged 80.

KELLY—May 16, wife of the late Rear Admiral E Kelly and fifth daughter of the late Capt J S Martin R N C B.

PHELPS—May 16, Castle Cary, Somerset, Rear Admiral H Phelps.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

GASKIN—May 28, at Betul, C P, the wife of L E P Gaskin, I C S, of a son.

HENDLEY—June 1, at 6, Cleveland Road, West Ealing, the wife of Major A G Hendley, I M S, of a son.

DEATHS.

GASKIN—June 4, at Betul, C P, the infant son of L E P Gaskin, I C S.

CHAMARETT—May 27, at Vikarabad, Rachel Mary, wife of Andrew Chamarett, aged 64 years.

NORTH—suddenly, at Madras, Joseph George North, retired Assistant Commissioner of Police, Mysore Government, ago 64 years, 1 month and 23 days.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Auchencraig, 1851 tons, Captain M S Reid, will sail to-day for Karachi, &c.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Medina, 2851 tons, Captain G F Secrett, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta 12th May via Coast ports with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Ula, 3426 tons, Captain J W Livingstone, arrived in harbour yesterday from Akyab 12th May via Coast ports with a general cargo and 22 deck passengers.

THE Hansa Line steamer Wardenfels, 2902 tons, Captain T Sandebeck, arrived in harbour yesterday from Liverpool 13th May, with a general cargo and the following passengers—Captain Baltine, Captain Brush, Lieuts Campbell, Cooper Proctor, and Gilpin.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Linga, 943 tons, Captain R J Bickford, sailed yesterday for Karachi, with a general cargo, and the following passengers—Mr F Fredericks, Mr B Narotumdas, Mr and Mrs Bindri, Mr N Burn, Mr James Foreman, Mr H Du Camp, Mr L G Dhurandher and 35 deck.

The Merchant Service Guild have lately informed the Admiralty that they have had under consideration the Hand-bill No. 219 which, through the medium of the Board of Trade is periodically distributed to shipmasters. This hand-bill states that in the event of reinforcements becoming strained between England and any Naval Power an Examination Service will come into force at such portsin the United Kingdom and His Majesty's Possessions abroad as are intended by means of mines or batteries. When the Examination Service is put into force, Masters will receive confidential notice of the ports at which it is established. Masters are warned that before attempting to enter such ports they must in their own interests strictly obey all instructions given to them by the vessels which will be charged with the duty of examining ships desiring to enter the ports and of signalling positions in which the ships shall anchor. The Guild pointed out to the Admiralty that it is quite permissible for Aliens to Command and Officer British Merchant vessels. What they wished to know, therefore, was what the position would be where, in war-time aliens were in command of British vessels and whether they as well as the masters who were British subjects, would receive confidential notice of the ports at which the Examination Service is put into force. The Guild felt that in the interests of the country this was a matter of great importance. They have received a reply from the Admiralty, but as it is marked "confidential" they are unable to indicate the nature of it.

The Merchant Service Guild have lately been interesting themselves in a case involving an important point of principle affecting Captains of Merchant Ships in recovering moneys due them from their owners. A member of the Guild was requested by a partner of his firm, to relinquish the command of his vessel then lying at Los Angeles. Though so far removed from home, the owner refused to settle the Captain's account declining also to pay him anything on account. He was therefore forced to borrow money to return to England. On his return he applied to the owners for his pay, but this was refused until they could communicate with the new Captain of the vessel which was then on a voyage to Sydney. Thereupon the Captain issued a writ on his owners who made an interlocutory application before Mr. Justice Bargrave Deane that the case should be remitted to an Arbitrator of Merchants. Mr. Justice Bargrave Deane refused their application, ordered it to be treated as the trial of the action, and gave judgment for the Captain for the full amount claimed with costs. The owners again applied to the Judge to review his decision, which he refused to do, but granted subsequent application. The Merchant Shipping Act provides that a seaman in a similar position must be paid wages up to the date of final settlement, but a master has been held to be not a seaman within the meaning of the Act. Therefore the Guild solicitors, in justice to the shipmaster, decided to include in the Bill of Costs a daily subsistence allowance up to the time of settlement, to enable the Captain to appear as a witness on his own behalf, in case this was not granted the Guild determined for the benefit of the profession they represented to carry the case to the High Court. The owners objected to payment of the item mentioned, but, after an adjourned hearing, the Registrar of the Admiralty Court in Liverpool considered it a reasonable charge, and the sum, amounting to thirty-three pounds, was allowed. The owners have now paid this amount, plus full wages and costs.

MEN-OF-WAR AND ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

IN GOVT. DOCKYARD.

R I M S Investigator..Comdr H M Heming...Survey Steamer
R I M S Alphinston...Lt Comdr A S Balfour.....4 I marine
R I M S Comet ...Lieut Comdr A Hamilton .....8 I Marine
Three Torpedo Boats.....

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—JUNE 9.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
India	3261	Forbes		M & Co
Eden (bque)	414	Soutten		The Captain
Surada	3400	Englot		M Mackenzie & Co
Hashemi	3179	Molony		B & I S N Co
Shahnoor	2198	Davison		P Taj hor
Idar	2916	Milne		Nixon & Co
Corumadel	1763	Mosford	Colombo	Gray & Co
Bundesrath	1	Tope		A Strauden
Ranee	3634	Cotran		T M & Co
Sofindia	3050	Hawker		M & Co
Peninsular	2220		Palmer	P & O Co
Aachen Cr.		Held		
Vadala	3194	skinner		M & Co
Oona	3196		Johnston	M M & Co
Moreton	2231		Work	Cory Bros
Kapurthala	1	Butler		M & Co
Rewanda	1319	Hirst		M & Co
N'Nath		Morris		M & Co
Uriana	3383	Button		M & Co
Mia	3186		Simpson	M & Co
Westmoreland	2231		Scudder	M & Co
Kgypt	4118		Lyneham	P & O Co
Wardenfels	2902		Sandebeck	Glade & Co

In the Stream.

H S M S Dufferin ....Comdr A J G Pilfard .....R J M
R I M S Canning.....Comdr A J Marshall....R I Marine

ARRIVALS.

June	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
9	Egypt s	London	London, May 19
	Arabia s	dead	Liverpool, May 13
	Ula s	Livingstone	Akyab, May 12
	Verdenfels s	sandsedt	Hamburg, May 6
	Illustra s	Sold to	Calcutta, May 15

DEPARTURE.

June	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
9	Inga s	Bickford	Karachi

The steamer Auchencraig, Captain Reid, obtained her port clearance yesterday for Karachi.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Idar, for Hull
" Uriana, for Rangoon, &c
" Arabia, for Marseilles and Liverpool

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

June	Vessels	Names.	From
6	Burrafield	J R Mackenzie	Bombay
	Bengali	N Ganapatyne	Liverpool
	Islanda	H J Brooks	Port Melbourne
	Uzara	H O Fenwick	Bombay
	Pelitana	J R P Alexander	Rangoon
	Ship Medea	L A Anderson	Samarang

DEPARTURES.

	Ethiopia	H A Sharpe	Rangoon
	Pundit	W J Crebbin	Bombay
7	India	F Toconis	Adriatic Ports
	Zillah	J Rose	Bombay

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

(STEAMER MOVEMENTS).

LONDON, JUNE 8.

The B I S N Co's steamer Avoca left Portsaid on the evening of the 6th instant.
The B I S N Co's steamer Matiana left Suez on the evening of the 8th instant.
The Clan Line steamer Clan Sinclair left Liverpool on the morning of the 8th instant.

The German East Africa Line steamer General arrived at Zanzibar from Bombay yesterday morning via Lamu and Mombasa.

DIVINE SERVICE.

WHIT SUNDAY, JUNE 11.

ST. THOMAS CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
9 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral—Woodward in E Hymns—207, 216, 282 and 305.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Canticles—Cuants
Anthem—
Hymns—154, 214 and 431
Collections for—Punjab Earthquake Relief Fund.
Daily Matins at 7-45 a.m. and Evensong at 5.
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

7-45 a.m.—Litany, Holy Communion and Sermon.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, and Sermon.
Collections for the Anglo-Indian Evangelisation Society.

ST. NICHOLAS' SEAMEN'S CHURCH, (Ferre Road.)

7 a.m.—Holy Communion
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ST. PETER'S MAZAGON.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Matins.
7-30 a.m.—Solemn Eucharist.
6 p.m.—Solemn Evensong, Preacher Rev Father Langmore.
Alms for S S J S Work in Poona.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, Colaba Causeway.

8 a.m.—Parsee Service—Preacher—Rev W Lane.
6 p.m.—Evening Service—Preacher—Rev J J Nevnell
6-30 p.m.—Sunday school.
9-30 a.m.—Prayer Meeting.
9-30 to 9-50 p.m.—Social Hour.
(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.
9-30 a.m.—Preacher—Rev A J Nevnell
6 p.m.—Preacher—Mr W J Kenshett
6-30 p.m.—Sunday School.

THE UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, (Wembly Road.)

8 a.m.—Children's Service.
8 a.m.—United Service (St Andrew's Church)
6 p.m.—Evening Service—Rev Alex B Crichton.
Hymns—79, 257 and 617.
Psalm—1

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

8 a.m.—Matins.
9-30 a.m.—Litany, Holy Communion, and Sermon.
6 p.m.—Evening Service at All Saints' Malabar Hill, will be conducted by the Rev. [illegible]

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
[illegible]

NOTICE.

SUPPLY OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY FOR LIGHT AND POWER IN BOMBAY.

A LICENSE to supply ELECTRICAL ENERGY to the public having been granted by the Local Govern ment to the Bruch Electrical Engineering Company, Limited, a supply of Energy will be shortly available in the principal streets and roads of the Fort.

TARIFF.

(1) The charges for Electrical Energy will be on the maximum demand (Wrights) system.
(2) Readings of meters and indicators showing the maximum supply demanded will be taken once in every month.
(3) The Energy consumed will be charged for at the rate of 8 annas per Board of Trade unit for the first hour's use per day of the maximum supply demanded, as recorded by the indicator, whether for lighting or power; all in excess of this quantity will be charged at the following rates :—
(a) For lighting purposes or for lighting and power purposes when on the same circuit—3 annas per Board of Trade unit.
(b) For power purposes only—1 1/2 annas per Board of Trade unit.
(4) A minimum charge of Rs. 9 per quarter will be made to the occupants on behalf of every house, tenement, flat or other premises, whether connected to the Company's mains or not if no energy is consumed.

Applications for supply must be made on a printed form which can be obtained on and after the 11th instant at the Company's Office Ganad Buildings, Bruce Road, Fort.

FRANK W. CHANTER,
Agent to the Bruch Electrical Engineering Co., Ltd.
Dated Bombay June, 8th, 1905.

NOTICE.

LETTERS, PARCELS, and TELEGRAMS for HIS EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR, the Private and Military Secretaries, and the A.-D.-C. in waiting, and the Medical Officer, which cannot be DELIVERED at GOVERNMENT HOUSE, MAHABLESHWAR, by 7 a.m., on 12th JUNE 1905, should be addressed to GOVERNMENT HOUSE, GANESHKHIND, KIRKEE, until further notice.

J. H. DuBOULAY,
Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor of Bombay.
Mahableshwar, 1st June 1905.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*** All communications intended for publication in our columns must be addressed to THE EDITOR and not to any individual member of the staff.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 1905.

A DIARY DISINTERRED.

THE Government of Madras, in ordering the publication of "The Private Diary of Ananda Ranga Pillai," have added an interesting series of chapters to Indian History. Sir J. Frederick Price has translated the Diary from the Tamil, and presents it to the public with an explanatory preface and short biographical notice of the frank diarist. Ananda Ranga Pillai was a Madras merchant, whom M. Lenoir, the capable French Governor of Pondicherry placed as native head of the French factory at Porto Novo. Ranga Pillai, being an enterprising commercial man, established at his own cost, at Lalapettai and Arcot, trading posts that rapidly developed a brisk business, exchanging for European goods, the merchandise of Madras. He rose steadily in the esteem of the Governors of Pondicherry, and especially of M. Dupleix, who made Pillai, on the death of his rival Kanakaraya Mudali, the Chief Dubash of the French Government in Pondicherry. They were exciting times, and Ananda Ranga did well to keep a diary wherein were recorded not only important events, but his inmost thoughts and free criticisms of all with whom he came in contact, even his masters. He writes of affairs of State and royal family or personal matters just as they occurred; he gossips, tells of the social life of his time, and the business transactions in which he was engaged. The result is a most interesting unstudied diary of one who was at the very centre of French power in India, during its rise, its zenith and its decline. The first volume of the work is just issued. It comprises the time from September 6th, 1736 to April 22nd, 1746, during which the chief events referred to, are the grant by the Nawab of Arcot to the French of permission to have a coinage of their own, the purchase and occupation of Karikal, the fall of Delhi, the Mahratta depredations, the capture of Trichinopoly, the murder of the Nawab of Arcot and of his son, the Nizam's march on Southern India, the peace he concluded with the Mahrattas by which Trichinopoly was ceded to him. All these and many minor events are told with a rare simplicity. There are some gaps, often at crucial moments, inevitable in a work that lay forgotten for years, but, wisely, no effort has been made to fill them. Ranga Pillai's sentiments are generally admirable, though his criticism of an intriguer cannot be considered enlightened. "The low nature of his character," he says "is to be imputed to the fact that he was not born rich." We must not be shocked at Pillai's attempt to bribe the Governor, M. Dumas, when interest on past coral transactions was demanded of him. He waited on the Governor before sunrise, and when he appeared, "I spoke to him in terms of gratitude and laid on the table a douceur." When this was declined, he could only reflect that the motive of the rejection "was the prospect of obtaining something larger further on." It was a period of unblushing bribery; he tells of one Patti Pattan, who spent 1,000 pagodas (Rs. 3,000) to get employment in the mint. "Had he not done so, he would not have obtained it" writes the diarist.

The Charter authorising the French in Pondicherry to coin their own money was received in great style. There was a salute of twenty-one guns, the documents were borne through the town in procession to music and the beating of drums. The Charter had cost in nazirs and presents over Rs. 120,000, besides various other little gifts valued at Rs. 24,000 strewn here and there among the Arcot influential people. "If M. Lenoir had been Governor now, he would not have spent so much money" is Raja Pillai's comment. When Tahmasp Quli Khan "who was favoured of heaven" took Delhi and imprisoned the emperor and the nobles, executing the latter and proclaiming himself Emperor of Delhi, Ranga Pillai is most philosophical in his remarks. "Of what avail is the power and wealth of kings in this earth. These are perishable. The Heaven of the All-merciful God is the only thing that endures." He records that the men who were put to death, and the women, who committed suicide during the campaign of Nadirshah numbered between 100,000 and 150,000. Speaking of the death of his rival's son, and the influence of the planets, he lays it down as "a fundamental astrological doctrine that the luck or ill-luck of a son, arising from causes connected with his nativity, attaches during his minority to his father," and Pillai recounts with some gusto, the misfortunes that befel this boy's father, as a consequence of the malign planet under which he was born. An order of the Pondicherry Supreme Council indicates the impatience with which the French then looked on caste rules. The "right-hand" and the "left-hand" castes were given equal privileges greatly to the disgust of the former, who held that they had the exclusive night to the use of the chief roads. The town was declared free to every one of every creed and caste. All might go on horse-back or in palanquin wherever they liked. The State adopted on all possible occasions by the Governors of Pondicherry is well exemplified in the Diary. M. Dupleix is represented as taking his first outing with considerable pomp, in a palanquin [illegible] fifty soldiers, by guns [illegible] in palanquins or on horseback with [illegible] women, tom-toms, horns, drums, pipes, clarionets, and flags in his train. "In this magnificent array the party set out for [illegible]." The [illegible] received at Ranga Pillai's residency with a salute of twenty-one guns and went on to Edapalayam for an Indian hour (twenty-four minutes) and returning to Pillai's house to the roar of twenty-one guns again. There, when Dupleix sat down to refreshments the same number of guns were fired, as well as when he drank wine and once more when he rose from table. "The whole day partook of the character of an imposing festival and was, indeed, exhilarating." But this Indian day was short, for it was only half-past five, when the tamasha was over and done with. When to M. Dupleix was born a son in 1842 "each ship in the roads fired a salute of twenty-one guns, and the church bells rang peals for half an Indian hour. But the life of the infant was limited to this period and his soul then retired to the feet of God." Pillai early gained the favour of Dupleix. We find him interceding successfully to save certain lascar thieves. They were whipped, branded with the figure of a dog and turned out of the town. "They would have forfeited their lives, but, for, firstly, the divine mercy, and secondly, my intervention," he says with simple conviction.

The swoop of the Mahrattas on Trichinopoly proceeded at the rate of sixty miles a day. They marched on Porto Novo, into the factory of which station every one, who could crowd retired, the rest of the people hiding into the native craft in the river. Two thousand Mahratta horsemen surrounded the town, pillaged the houses and plundered the people of everything, giving each person only a cubit of cloth as a garment. They then found and turned out those who had hidden in the boats, stripping and whipping them, and seized the valuable contents of the craft. Next they moved on the factory, and in a short time were masters of it, took the refugees, stripped, scourged and in many cases slashed them with swords, driving them out with just two cubits of cloth each. The plunder was valued at 150,000 pagodas or 450,000 rupees. In Pondicherry measures were taken to make ready against the approach of the Mahratta invaders, and one of these was to forbid the consumption of intoxicating liquors by the white and black population of the town. The penalty for selling any such liquor was imprisonment for a year, and a fine of 1,000 pagodas. "Let it not be thought that this is an idle command" ran the proclamation. Any one selling spirituous liquor to a soldier or any other man was to be whipped, branded with the figure of a dog and driven beyond the town. Ranga Pillai does not say, if the prohibition was effectual, but he later chronicles its being rescinded. Chanda Sahib, Nawab of Arcot, was so alarmed by the progress of the Mahratta arms that it was thought expedient to try, to buy them off, and twenty-two lakhs of pagodas were subscribed by the rulers and chief people of Arcot, for the purpose, and offered by the wives of the Nawabs to the Mahrattas on condition that they ceased operations. But the absence of their Chief made it impossible to comply with this request. The invasion of Southern India by the Nizam in 1743 is described as overwhelming. It was as if the sea was rising and flooding the land, his huge force of 70,000 horse, besides infantry and elephants, advanced and encamped. Two hundred elephants carried artillery and ammunition, and hundreds were laden with baggage, a hundred more bore sundries required by an army on the march, and a final hundred carried the drums and musical instruments. Then follows a list of the troops amounting to over 150,000 infantry and cavalry. The camp was reported to occupy sixteen square miles. There was great rejoicing when the Mahratta Chieftain evacuated Trichinopoly fort, and the flag of the Emperor of Delhi was hoisted on the citadel by Asaf Jah, The Governor of Pondicherry held a parade, and fired three salvoes, besides ordering all the guns in the fort to be discharged, in the morning, noon and night of the great day. By February of the next year 1744, the Mahrattas had resumed hostilities, killed Asaf Jah's son, and so sore beset was the Nizam that he feared for his own safety. Characteristically the reasons for these troubles were looked for, in astronomical portents of evil, "A star having been seen to fall from the heavens in daylight or a comet appearing with a sweeping tail of the length of two picootta poles" were sufficient indications of untoward events. M. Dupleix wisely exercised his Pondicherry garrison in all necessary manœuvres to have them ready for emergencies; war had broken out between England and France and the town had had a fright shortly before, when a ship was sighted and mistaken for an English one, "an error which for upwards of an hour threw the whole town into a ferment." Space forbids more quotations from this first instalment of Ranga Pillai's diary. We hope that the remainder will be published with all due despatch, for readers of the first volume will eagerly look for a second.

BRITISH WHEAT SUPPLY.

THE United Kingdom depends every year more and more on foreign countries or on its own colonies for the wheat it consumes. In 1872, England was one of Russia's largest customers taking more from her than from any other wheat field, knowing nothing of Argentine crops then and very little of American. But in less than twenty years, she was importing over thirteen and a half million quarters from the United States and more than four and a quarter millions from Argentina, while Russia did not send a third of the latter quantity. India has taken up the white man's burden in the matter of wheat, and in 1904, exported to England no less than 20,469,100 cwts, Argentina sending 18,466,700, and Russia again coming well up with 16,837,100 cwts. Australasia sent half that, and the United States only six and a half million cwts. In spite of the war, in which Russia is so deeply and unluckily engaged, her exports of wheat continue large, they were, in fact, as large as the Argentine supply to England for the first four months of this year, 1905, and considerably more than in the same period of 1904. Canada, it is singular to say, sends much less wheat to Great Britain than formerly. It was at one time held, and not so long ago, that Canada would be able in a few years to supply, over and above her home demands, all the wheat and flour that Great Britain could possibly need and still have some to export to other countries. If all her land capable of growing wheat were under cultivation, or even a fourth of it, that could easily be accomplished. Instead of this, however, Canada sent nearly 60 per cent. less wheat to England in the first four months of this year than in a similar period of the year before. It is pretty certain that Great Britain is now taking from India a large proportion of the wheat supply required to feed her people.

DOGS IN WAR.

As an example of the useful purposes that dogs can sometimes be made to serve in war, it is of interest to note that attached to the medical department of one of the Russian Army Corps in Manchuria, according to the correspondent of the "Neva," are a number of dogs, which are of great help in the work of seeking out the wounded after a battle, especially on rough, broken ground and at night-time. They are a kind of sheep-dog bred by a certain Major Otonville, and have been trained to go about over the battlefield when the fighting is over. They carry on their backs a small parcel packed on the outside with the Red cross and containing a length of bandage and small flasks of brandy and wine. On finding a wounded man the dog allows him, if he is able, to fasten the packet and make use of its contents, and then manage to walk, the dog leads him on work, to give him the field hospital is at hand, but if not, the dog trots off to a medical dressing; whom it guides to the man it has found. Dogs are said to show great intelligence in their work, and may be compared to the famous dogs of St. Bernard. Their only fault, adds the correspondent, is that they are foreigners and only understand German, [illegible] practically [illegible]

THE SITUATION IN EUROPE.

THE POWERS AND MOROCCO.

The following telegrams are published :—Tangier May 21 "Times."—The British Mission left for Fez yesterday. A staff of six accompanies Mr. Lowther, including two military officers. The foreign representatives and the Sultan's Commissioner for Foreign Affairs escorted the Mission for some distance outside the town.

A opinion exists here that the arrival of the British Mission at Fez will be followed by some definite results, but the policy of the Maghzan is always to avoid definite results, and the viziers are masters of the art of playing off one nation against another. Although France will have the support of the British Mission it must not be forgotten that Germany's programme has the advantage of being an entirely negative one. It is most improbable that the German Mission will attempt to obtain any advantages or concessions for German interests. It will probably remain content with informing the Sultan that under the most-favoured-nation clause of the Treaty of Madrid the German Government will claim equal privileges to any that the Sultan may grant to France.

Berlin, May 22 (Standard)".—It would be a mistake to draw the conclusion that relations between France and Germany have improved because the German envoy to Fez, Count von Tattenbach, and the French envoy, M. Saint-Rene Taillandier, are maintaining friendly relations with one another. As a matter of fact, the differences between the two Governments are as wide as ever, and there is no indication that they are likely to be settled in the near future. The courtesies exchanged between the Count and M. Taillandier are purely formal and are intended to demonstrate the fact that both countries desire to keep the dispute within certain limits.

Paris, May 22 "(Times).—The report from Tangier as to the alleged success of Count von Tattenbach and what is represented as the failure of M. Saint Rene-Taillandier are at complete variance with facts. Count von Tattenbach has, it is true, twice seen the Sultan of Morocco, but so far he has obtained no tangible result. On the other hand, it is totally untrue that M. Saint-Rene Taillandier has reason to be disappointed with what has been done so far, or that he has any ground to anticipate eventual failure."

Tangier, May 22 "Times").—I have received from a native official source a draft of the Sultan's reply to the French proposals, which would confirm the telegram published in the "Cologne Gazette." The Sultan agrees that reforms are absolutely necessary for Morocco, and states his willingness to undertake them, but regrets that he cannot do so with the assistance of any one Power alone. If all the Powers signatory to the Treaty of Madrid will agree as to the means of carrying out reforms, he is willing to accept their advice and assistance. The Sultan recognises France's friendly action in the course which the French Government has pursued, but is bound by existing International treaties to refuse their proposals. At the same time the Sultan accepts the French proposals for the organisation of police forces on the Algerian frontier under French officers, as that is a matter which, in his opinion, concerns France and Morocco alone.

Paris, May 23.—The special correspondent of the "Echo de Paris" at Fez telegraphs as follows:—"During his visits to the Sultan and to the Viziers Count von Tattenbach vigorously attacked the Moroccan programme of the French Government. He declared that the French people were opposed to all employment of force, and that the energetic attitude of the French Minister would remain fruitless. All these declarations were listened to with great reserve, and there is nothing to show that the German Minister can expect to obtain immediate advantages, as he had hoped to do. The Moors are prudent and cautious. They are willing to use Germany, but they begin by mistrusting her."

The "Times" correspondent at Paris telegraphed on the 23rd :—According to my private information, Count von Tattenbach will confine himself this journey to a strenuous endeavour to put things back to the "status quo ante"—that is to say, to induce the Sultan of Morocco to back out of his engagements to France, leaving a clean slate for beginning negotiations with Germany. Apparently his mission was decided upon without that of the British and Spanish Ministers having been taken into account, or at all events, without their having been sufficiently reckoned with.

Barian Village (Morocco), May 22 (Reuter).—During the halt of the British Mission for lunch yesterday, Basha Bu Ahmed Shergi commanding the military post of 1,000 men which is established halfway between Tangier and Alcazar, called upon Mr. Lowther, at the head of 300 horsemen, to offer him a welcome. The natives seem to be under the impression that Mr. Lowther is going to Fez to arbitrate between the Maghzan and France.

THE POWERS AND ABYSSINIA.

DECLARATION BY THE NEGUS.

The Paris correspondent of the "Standard" wrote on May 18 :—It will be remembered that about a fortnight ago a message was received in England and another in France stating that, in an assembly to which the representatives of the Powers at Addis Ababa had been invited, the Emperor Menelek asked for the internationalisation of the railway, the construction of which had been confided to a French company. To-day the "Depeche Coloniale" is able to publish the full minute of what was said on that occasion. This document shows that the Negus expressed the pleasure he had felt when he heard that the railway from Jibuti had been constructed so far as Dire Daua. He added :—

"I was justified in hoping that, after this first effort, every month would bring the railway nearer to Addis Ababa. However, during the last three years the works have been suspended. The time has been lost in sterile discussion. I have convoked you to-day in order that you may bring to the knowledge of your respective Governments the decision which I have arrived at in connection with this question of the railway. Unless I receive a proposal from your Governments, placing your international interests in accord, and thus putting an end to the present state of affairs, I shall undertake the construction of the railway myself, without soliciting or accepting the assistance of anyone."

Sir John Harrington, the British Minister, said that the Government of Great Britain followed by other policy with regard to Abyssinia than the maintenance of its entire independence. He was ready to sign at once any engagements having for its object the confirmation of that independence. A railway constructed by means of capital provided by a single nation, and under the control of a single foreign Government, would place Abyssinia in a position incompatible with her independence and the integrity of her territory. This question should be treated on a commercial basis, and not used as a political instrument, and the best way to guarantee the interests of all concerned would be to allow all nations to share in finding the necessary capital. If saw no reason why a French company should not have the management of the enterprise provided that its character remained international. He had been cognisant for some time of a scheme for harmonising all conflicting interests, and that project seemed to him to be acceptable from the British point of view.

The Emperor in reply said he recognised the good intentions of all; whereupon Sir John Harrington remarked that unfortunately his efforts in the direction of a reconciliation of interests had not been seconded. It was incompatible with the maintenance of the independence of Abyssinia that a railway control of the French Government. It seemed to him that an understanding on this railway question might be come to, since an agreement had been arrived at for the establishment of a bank. He could give his word that the British Government had nothing to do with the creation of that bank, which was a purely commercial and international enterprise.

M. Legarde, the French Minister, said his Majesty last year expressed a desire that the railway question should be discussed between France, Great Britain, and Italy and negotiations between them were still pending. He was not able to discuss the matter at the present moment, but when his Government had come to a decision he should have much pleasure in placing it before his Majesty.

The Italian representative said Italy desired the internationalisation of the railway. His Government was always ready to maintain the independence of Abyssinia.

THE STATE OF RUSSIA.

Warsaw, May 19.—Intense excitement was caused at noon to-day by a report that a bomb had been thrown among a number of officials who were returning from the Russian Cathedral, where they had been attending the service on the occasion of the Emperor's birthday. It appears, however, that a workman, in trying to avoid the observation of two detectives in Miodowa Street, stumbled on the kerb on the pavement, when a bomb which was in his pocket exploded with terrific force, killing the workman and the two detectives, and injuring others. A cafe near the scene of the explosion was completely wrecked, the windows, doors and walls being blown in. All the windows in the neighbouring houses were smashed, and a large hole was torn up from the ground. No doubt is entertained by police that the bomb was intended for General Maximovitch, the Governor-General, who has recently been the object of a number of threats.

St. Petersburg, May 19 "(Times.)"—The Czar has commemorated his birthday by the creation of another bureaucratic commission to satisfy the land hunger of the peasants. The object is a laudable one but the instrument is unlikely to evoke enthusiasm.

The "Times" correspondent writes:—St. Petersburg, May 21.—In creation of a committee of national defence under the presidency of the Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholaievitch, who with Generals Dragomiroff and Grodekoff has for some months constituted the Czar's advisory war board, reveals the want of co-ordinate and and harmonious efforts by the various departments concerned in the national defence—the War Office, the Admiralty, the Ministry of Railways and the Ministry of Finance, which controls the frontier guards. The absence of such co-ordination is well illustrated by the fact that the Grand Duke Alexander Nicholaievitch, although merely chief of the ensemble marine, was able on his own initiative to organise a naval expedition to prey upon neutral commerce. The success of the British committee of defence has greatly impressed the Russian and our Premier, which inspired the creation of a similar body, which is all the more necessary in Russia owing to the absence of a ministerial cabinet and ministerial responsibility, but whether the new committee will be able to exercise a beneficial influence during the present war is doubtful. The "Standard" correspondent telegraphs :—St. Petersburg, May 21.—The lack of cohesion between the various departments which form the Government; should open a wide sphere of usefulness to the Council of National Defence, which has to-day been created by ukase of the Czar, and placed under the presidency of the Grand Duke Nicholas Nikolaievitch. It is generally admitted that the disclosures which have been made before the Commission sitting to inquire into the circumstances attending the surrender of Port Arthur have contributed to convince the Emperor of the necessity of such body as he has now called into existence.

Moscow, May 21.—The Pan-Russian Women's Congress assembled to-day at

THE TSAR WISHES PEACE.

IMPROVED PROSPECTS.

ZEMSTVOS' ULTIMATUM TO THE TSAR.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, JUNE 9.

A telegram from Washington states that Mr. Meyer, the American Minister at St. Petersburg, had an audience of the Tsar at Tsarskoe Selo yesterday, when his Majesty indicated his willingness to consider the subject of peace.

The cablegram from Mr. Meyer describes the interview as a most hopeful one.

The Moscow Zemstvos Congress of 250 delegates has adopted a most strongly worded address to the Tsar demanding the Convocation of a National Assembly elected by universal suffrage to decide the question of peace or war, and abolish the vicious, dangerous and ignorant bureaucracy. It impresses on the Tsar his responsibility and warns him against delay.

A deputation has been appointed to present the address to the Tsar.

The address is practically an ultimatum of the country to the Throne. The wording of it is remarkable. The Tsar is addressed throughout as 'You' and the word "Majesty" is not used.

The conventional expressions of loyalty and devotion are absent. All circles at St. Petersburg are astounded at the audacity of the address.

JAPAN AND PEACE.

QUESTION OF THE INDEMNITY

Count Okuma, former Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs, in a recent interview on the question of intervention, said that a great change in the line of diplomacy of different Powers was a natural outcome of the present war, and it was difficult to make prophecy. Increasingly closer relations between Great Britain and France were already one of the very significant phenomena resulting from the war. The Count declared that Germany could have no other feeling than satisfaction to find her northern rival gradually weakened by the war, and would recognise the folly, if she wished to maintain and develop her interests in the Far East, of arousing the hostility of Japan.

Count Okuma saw no occasion for intervention unless a European conference could be formed, but said he could not understand, who would take the initiative as long as Germany was not a sufferer by the war. Germany, he said, was reaping benefits of various kinds, and would follow the policy of "get-the-best-and-as-much-as-possible."

Mr. Kato, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, and former Minister to Great Britain, discussing the same question, said :—

"I do not think there will arise any occasion for intervention. I doubt, if Russia has a fixed purpose and aim either to fight or conclude peace, Should Russia be determined to hold Vladivostok, it would be to her advantage to conclude peace, before she loses it. But she shows no desire for peace, and her policy is devoid of any definite plan, so there can be no occasion for a third Power to attempt intervention in the near future. We might take Harbin, and go farther north, but Russia might continue her policy of retreat, thereby giving no occasion for a third party to come in for mediation.

"Should Russia ask for peace, we shall insist on an unconditional armistice, and, on negotiations being opened, we shall require Russia to return Manchuria to China, to recognise our suzerainty over Korea, to cede Saghalien to us, to remove permanently the fortifications of Vladivostok, and to pay an indemnity of at least 200 million pounds. Such liberal terms will afford no occasion or intervention.

"But the time has not yet come to talk of peace. There will never be an occasion for intervention, and the war will last long."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NEW NORWEGIAN FLAG.

King Oscar Protests.

LONDON, JUNE 8.

The new Norwegian flag will be hoisted, and saluted throughout the country on Saturday.

All Norwegians in the Scandinavian Diplomatic Service have resigned.

King Oscar has refused to receive a deputation from the Storthing with the address mentioned yesterday, as an unrecognised revolutionary action of the Storthing in violation of the Constitution, and a revolt against the King.

THE NEW SPEAKER.

Mr. Lowther.

Mr. Lowther has been unanimously elected Speaker of the House of Commons. The House has adjourned till the 20th instant.

LOSS OF A SUBMARINE.

All Hands Drowned.

The submarine Boat A8 has been lost with all hands, outside Plymouth.

Fifteen perished including Lieut. Fletcher.

She suddenly sank and there was an explosion.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

Large Increases.

The British imports in May increased by two millions, and the exports by three millions.

THE CABLE RATES.

Coming Reductions.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain to-day informed a deputation, which waited upon him that the cable rate to India would be reduced to two shillings a word before October, and he hoped very shortly to reduce the rate to Egypt to one shilling.

THE EARTHQUAKE FUND.

The Grand Lodge of Freemasons has given one thousand pounds to the Earthquake Fund.

THE POONA SEASON.

GYMKHANA CRICKET FIXTURES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JUNE 9.

The following are the Gymkhana cricket fixtures of the Poona season. Opening matches on 15th June vs. Nizam Club ; on 22nd vs. College of Science, on 29th vs. Mahomedan Club of Bombay ; on 30th and 1st July vs. Bombay Mahomedan Club ; 8th and 9th vs. Bombay Hindu Gymkhana, 13th and 14th vs. Ferguson College ; 20th and 21st Poona vs. Kirkee ; 24th and 29th Colaba Team ; 2nd and 3rd August vs. Baronet Club ; 11th and 12th vs. Young Cricketers ; 14th and 15th vs. Bombay Gymkhana at Bombay ; 16th and 17th Bombay Hindu Gymkhana at Bombay ; 26th and 28th vs. Poona Hindus ; 31st and 1st September vs. Elphinstone Cricket Club ; 4th and 5th vs. Bombay Gymkhana at Poona ; 11th and 12th vs. Bombay Match ; 18th and 19th vs. B. B. & C. I. Railway ; 23rd and 26th vs. Kathiawar Team. In addition to the above be matches with Mahomedans, Parsees, Europeans, dates not fixed. Cricket Secretary, Bombay Gymkhana.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FRANCO-GERMAN TENSION.

The Morocco Question.

CONFERENCE OF THE POWERS.

BRITISH PREPAREDNESS.

LONDON, JUNE 8.

Germany has formally proposed to the Powers, a Conference on the Morocco question.

Mr. Lowther had a ceremonious audience of the Sultan at Fez. Formal speeches desiring the maintenance of friendship and prosperity of Morocco were exchanged.

LONDON, JUNE 9.

The French newspapers intimate that, as a part of the new policy, a new Ambassador will go to Berlin and a new Envoy to Morocco as evidence of the acuteness of the situation which M. Delcasse's resignation modified.

The French Minister of War conferred on Wednesday with the Commanders of Army Corps on the Eastern frontier and ordered them to bring up their forces to full strength.

The "Standard" says it has been decided to recall the whole of the British battleships on the China station immediately.

THE MEMBER OF COUNCIL FOR COMMERCE.

EXTENDED TOUR PLANNED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JUNE 9.

Mr. Hewett, member of Council for Commerce, will make a tour of several weeks during the rains. According to present arrangements, he leaves Simla on the 15th July and, among other places, will visit Karachi, Bombay, Kolar Gold Fields, Bangalore, Madras and Calcutta.

THE MONSOON PROSPECTS.

AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK.

Some anxiety in regard to the prospects of the coming monsoon is reflected in the official crop telegrams for the past week, but no appreciable change has taken place in actual agricultural prospects. The price of rice has an upward tendency in Bengal, that of wheat is rising in Delhi and Amritsar, but the fluctuations are small. The Bombay and Madras Governments continue to report scarcity of fodder and water in a good many of their districts, and the numbers under relief in Western India have gone up to 4,439.

ROYAL ARTILLERY DINNER AT SIMLA.

The Royal Artillery held their annual dinner at the United Service Club this evening, Major-General C H Scott, C. B., Director-General of Ordnance, being in the chair. The following R A Officers were present:—Colonel C de C Hamilton, Lieutenant-Colonels Malleson, Stanton, R Stuart and Tricoott, Majors Fendall, Muspratt-Williams, Salt'on Willett, C Stewart Tancred and Tighe, Captains Careys Capper, A Ferguson, Johnson Young and Easton, Lieutenants Brancer, Bronshow Bull V Fergusion Fanshawe, Ingham, Preston, Ross, Thom and Walter ; Captain R Marr-Johnson acted as honorary secretary of the dinner which was a great success.

ARMY VETERINARY OFFICERS.

INCREASE OF PAY SANCTIONED.

The pay of officers of the Army Veterinary Department has been increased with effect from the 30th April 1905, The rates in future will be :—

Lieutenant, Rs. 480 ; Captain, Rs. 570 ; Captain after five years' service as such, Rs. 650 ; Major Rs. 750 ; Major after five years' service as such, Rs. 800.

The rate for Captains after five years' service as such will be admissable in the case of those who joined the Department before 5th October, 1898, on completing ten years' total service and the rate for Majors after five years as such will be given after twenty years' total service, in the case of those promoted to Major on or before the Royal Warrant of the 20th March 1902.

MUTINY ON A STEAMER.

OFFICERS ATTACKED BY RUSSIANS.

COLOMBO, JUNE 8.

The American steamer Garonne, Captain Rober, Lowe, immediately on arrival from Singapore on Thursday morning, made a report to the American Consul in Colombo of a serious fracas which occurred amongst 500 Russians on board the Garonne. The vessel has been chartered at Shanghai by a Russian firm to convey a number of Russians to Odessa. These include wounded men, nurses and Russian exiles from Manchuria. From the first a number of the Russians displayed a mutinous spirit. In the Straits of Malacca, one of the ringleaders was put in irons, but one of his comrades made an attempt to rescue him by rushing at the captain and officers who were on the bridge, with his revolver. The captain fired three times, but on each occasion his weapon missed fire, with the result that he resorted to his rifle and bludgeoned a number of the mutineers. He was backed up by the officers, and the outbreak was soon quelled. On arriving at Singapore, the captain communicated with the Russian Consul, who came on aboard, but did not stay long as the Russians, so soon as they learned he was the Russian Consul, hissed and insulted him, threatening to throw him overboard. During the voyage from Singapore to Colombo the turbulence was in no wise quelled, but they refrained from open attack on the captain and his officers. Before the ship left Shanghai, the commander was informed that a military guard would be provided, but this guard consisted of a Russian military officer and five rifles, with no one to use them. In fact, the officer was in such a quandary himself that, for fear the Russians should seize the five rifles entrusted to him, he handed them over to the captain. On arrival at Colombo, Captain Lowe sought the protection of the American Consul, but the latter can do nothing except lend his protection to the captain should his life be in danger. A formal report has been handed to the Russian Consul, and he is to have a conference with the Port of Artillery Officer and Doctor who are in charge of the invalids. The safety of the few Ame. in charge of the Garonne is regarded as in

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It is difficult to imagin e a general support than ment which would receive motors of metropolitan has advocated by the scattering up the roads authorities. Not to prevent impracticable until altogether—that is different method of laying science preserves us with strio wires—but to give gas and water pipes and to regulate the times and highway authorities to pause for their work. We conditions of private interest. Viewed from the know what happens any standpoint it is the residents and visitors to tear up the roads

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JUNE 9.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Lieutenant-Colonel McCloghry, Civil Surgeon, Karachi, is posted temporarily for military employ.

The following postings as Assistant Cantonment Officers are notified :—Captain Lyon, 78th Moplahs, to Mhow ; Captain Palin, 130th Baluchis to Quetta; and Captain Browning, 95th Russell's Infantry, to the United Provinces.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

It is notified that they tenure of the following appointments will with effect from the 22nd November 1904 (and in case of the Supply and Transport Corps with effect from the 1st May 1905), be restricted to three years which may be extended to five years :—

Military Secretariat:—Secretary : first and 2nd Deputy Secretaries and Assistant Secretary.

Ordnance Department.—The Director-General of Ordnance in India, the Deputy Director-General, Inspectors-General, Deputy Inspectors General, Assistant Director General, Deputy Assistant Director General.

Supply and Transport Corps—Director-General of Contracts and Registration, Deputy Director-General for Contracts, Deputy Director-General for Registration, Directors of Contracts and Registration, Deputy Directors of Contracts and Registration.

Military Accounts Department—Accountant General, Deputy Accountant-General-Assistant Accountant General (when held by an officer of the Military Accountants Department), Controllers of Military Accountants, Northern, Eastern and Western Commands and Secunderabad Division.

Army Remount Department—Director General and Staff Veterinary Officer.

Military Works Service:—Director-General, Deputy Director-General, Chief Engineers of Commands, Assistant Director-General, Military Works.

Sections 100 and 287-307 of the Bengal Municipal Act 1884 are extended to the Cantonment of Lebong with some restrictions.

Indian Army Lieut-Colonel Hogg, 23rd Pioneers, to be Colonel.

Lieuts Woodward, 45th Sikhs, Shuttleworth, 106th Mazrattas and Nicolaz, 2nd Gurkhas, to be Captains.

Captain G Drage, Indian Army, is transferred to temporary half pay list.

The following are gazetted a step in promotion each in recognition of their services with the Tibet Mission:—Assistant Surgeon R Corridon and Hospital Asstt. (a) Ashar Hushain, (b) Tika Ram.

Southern Provinces Mounted Rifles : Hon. Mr. Hodgeon to be Commandant.

Volunteer officers.—Decoration is conferred upon Lieut Clarke, Punjab Rifles.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

EASTERN COMMAND

The following appointments of Commandants of Transport Units have been made in the Eastern Command :—

Lieutenant L A M Jones, 86th Infantry, Supply and Transport Officer, 6th class, 11th Mule Corps, Bareilly, Captain T F Bennett, 2nd Lancers, 37th Pack Mule Cadre, Meerut, Lieutenant F W Marhal, 130th Baluchis, 5th Pack Mule Cadre Meerut.

3rd Brahmans,...2nd-Lieutenant J W Pickthall 1st Battalion, the Buffs attached 2nd battalion, the Connaught Rangers, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be Double Company Officer.

5th Light Infantry.—Captain C S Stooks on transfer from the 80th Carnatic Infantry to be Double Company Officer and 4th Double Company Commander, protem, with effect from the date of joining captain Stooke will be graded above Lieutenant Pott, and below Captain Forbes.

11th Rajput.—Lieutenant G H Rogers, Double Company Officer, to be Adjutant, vice Captain Abbott, Lieutenant E J Burdett, Double Company Officer, to be Quartermaster, vice Lieutenant Rogers.

Royal Army Medical Corps—Lieutenant-Colonel R E R Morse to command the Station Hospital, Cawnpore, vice Lieutenant Colonel Caldwell R A M C transferred to the Home Establishment,

Major A J Luther to command the Station Hospital, Landour, vice Major L Way, R A M C.

Major W T Mould to command the station hospital, Delhi, vice Major A J Luther transferred,

Major L Way, R A M C, Officer Commanding Landour Station Hospital, is granted eight months general leave to England from the 29th April.

General leave of absence in India is granted to Lieutenant H E Norton, 15th Hussars, from the 1st June to the 31st August.

Privilege leave of absence for 60 days is granted to Assistant Surgeon P B Butche I S M D

General leave of absence in India was granted to Captain W Davis, R A M C, from the 15th April to the 14th May.

General leave of absence in India for 60 days is granted to Lieutenant C L Leake, 1st R S Fusiliers, with effect from the 29th May.

General leave of absence in India is granted to Lieutenant A R Steele, 4th Hussars, from the 1st June to the 1st September.

The following officers have been ordered to embark for India :—Major C G Morrison and Lieutenant Lord A R Innes-Ker, 1st Dragoon Guards, about the 2nd June, Lieutenant H. B. MacKett, 4th Hussars 2nd Lieutenant M H Muer, 15th Hussars.

2nd-Lieutenant P P Curtis, 15th Hussars, has now been attached for duty, pending absorption, to the 19th Hussars.

Sergeant R A H Leicester, 1st Dragoons, has been selected for a 2nd-Lieutenancy in the Bedfordshire Regiment.

THE SERVICES AT HOME.

INDIA OFFICE—MAY 26.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN LONDON.

Col G M Porter R E B	Mr A E T Sarfas B
Major J L T Jones I M S	Mr R L Nestor B
	Mr R N Banerji B
Major H A Smith I M S B	Mr H S Syan B
Capt. C H Beasley I M S	Mr F W Tyrall B
	Mr H Welsh B
Capt E H S James B	Mr H S Jones B
Mr E D Macgagan B Cov	Mr A Lawrence B
Mr J R Drummond B Cov	Mr B Holmes B
Mr E R Neave B Cov	Mr C G Hall B
Mr J Danman B Cov	Mr H Wood B
Mr B V Nicholl B Cov	Mr M K Clifford B
Mr H G Warburton B Cov	Mr A H Wilkin B
Mr W H A St-J Leeds B Cov	Mr H L Baisterly B
	Mr A G Polwhele B
	Lieut-Col A J Sturmer I M S M
Mr J B Thomson B Cov	Mr B B Wood M Cov
Mr F O Hemliker B Cov	Mr J H Batt M
Mr B H Fell B Cov	Mr J B Coombes M
Mr F Gomer B	Lieut-Col R Owen Bo
Mr E S Carr B	Mr G A R Crommelin Bo
Mr F L Crawford B	
Mr A W Davis B	

EXTENSIONS OF LEAVE.

Mr E R Neave B Cov 1 week's furl	Mr J Strode Wilson M 3 mo furl
Mr H W Few B 3 mo	Mr R W Formby M 2 days' extraordinary leave
Mr M G Wall B 2 mo	Mr T S Greenaway Bo 2 mo furl
Capt O G Webster I M S M study leave from Oct 17 1904 to April 29 1905	

PERMITTED TO RETURN.

Mr J E Barrets B	Mr R W Formby M
Mr J C Bain B	Lieut-Col G E Hyde-Bates Bo
Mr G F Hottinger B	Mr T S Greenaway Bo
Mr J K Sinnell B	Mr R D Da'
Mr E O S Shuckleworth B	
Mr A E Adie B	

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN LONDON.

Brig-Gen J A H Pollock C B	Capt S K B Rice 35
Brig-Gen J Spens C B D S O Col F H Eo'	Capt F G A Wimberley
Lieut-Col R Owe Sec to Govnr Sanders	Capt H N Packard R A
Major G L S T C Crocker 9	Lieut G Henderson 38
Major S Hodge O Logan-Home	Lieut A N de V Scott 2 Lrs
Maj r's Bodyguard M C R E H Wheatley	Lieut A B Harley, The Buffs
	Lieut J H G Butler 57
Engineer W Mitchell 59 Punj	Wilde's Rifles F F R I M

EXTENSIONS OF LEAVE.

Lieut D R H Jackson 6 G R 3 mo M C	Lieut D J M Macaulay 1 Lrs 2 weeks

PERMITTED TO RETURN.

Major R L Tottenham 25 Punj	Capt W H F Basevi 91 Punj
Lieut D F	Vines R I M

EVERY genuine sportsman will rejoice at the decision of the Hurlingham Club to erase pigeon shooting from the list of sports practised at the club. It would be difficult to advance a single argument in favour of its continuance, save that of ancient usage, from which standpoint its claims are equalled, if not surpassed, by those of cock-fighting or bear-baiting. Even in its least objectionable form pigeon-shooting fails far below the modern standard of sport, in the sense of a fair chance of escape for the quarry. In a hedge-and-corner aspect, it lends itself to the senseless infliction upon the birds in their flight when they rise from the The value of Hurlingham's decision lies not in the immediate effect, but in the premise it holds out that either by force of example or legislation, the sport may be abolished as cowardly and unworthy, and a blot which

ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MAY 27.

THE KABUL TREATY.

For all their smartness the ha'penny papers unaccountably allow themselves to be beaten by what they would call the old jog-trotting journals. We have had an example of this in the fact that the "Times" was a day ahead of the other papers in publishing the text of the treaty recently concluded between His Majesty the King of Afghanistan, as we must now learn to call Habibulla Khan, and Mr. Louis Dane on behalf of the Government of India. It was not until Wednesday that the India Office sent copies of the white paper to the Press, and not until yesterday that it was on sale to the public, but the whole thing appeared in the "Times" on Tuesday. The general feeling expressed is one of surprise that the Treaty should contain so little, though what more could have been expected after the Ministerial statements on the subject in both Houses, I do not know. There is a disposition in some quarters to think that Mr. Dane's Mission did not go all the way to Kabul for the results announced within the four corners of the Treaty and that there is more in the agreement than meets the eye. The "Times" takes this view of the matter and observes :—" The further payment of a large annual subsidy to the Ameer and the release of the arrears which have of late years accumulated in the hands of the Indian Government to the amount, we believe, of some £400,000, together with the resumption of the free importation of arms into Afghanistan, appear to be inevitable corollaries of the new Treaty, and these are boons for which the Ameer may be expected to have given some quid pro quo. On these points further information will doubtless soon be forthcoming, and until then we can but suspend our judgment. Mr. Balfour's recent statement with regard to Afghanistan in connexion with Imperial defence is, at any rate, a guarantee that the vital importance of our relations with that State is recognized by those responsible for the interests of the Empire and for the safety of our Indian dependency." The "Daily News" with its inveterate suspiciousness, attributes the simplicity of the treaty to the apprehensions that have been instilled into the heart of that bad man Lord Curzon by his not altogether satisfactory experiences in another direction. Lest it should be thought that I do the Bouverie street organ an injustice, let me quote its words.—" The Treaty practically amounts to the renewal of the agreement of 1893 and the fears which were entertained "—by whom ?—"as to the Mission have proved groundless. It does not follow that they were without justification. What does follow is that the warning provided by the Tibet adventure prevented the scheme which was at the root of the Afgan mission going through." After this there is no more to be said.

THE LIBERALS AND MR. BALFOUR.

I do not know that there is much more to be said about the extraordinary behaviour of the House of Commons than what you know from Reuter's admirably condensed telegram, except to express a hope that the next time there is a shindy in the French Chamber of Deputies or an interchange of amenities in the Austrian Reichsrath, our papers will have the decency to refrain from lecturing our neighbours and friends on their want of Parliamentary manners. The better class of Liberals do not attempt to justify the refusal to hear Mr. Lyttelton the other night, though they say, which is true, that the behaviour of the other side was not much better, and that Mr. Balfour's action in, as they say, breaking his Edinburgh pledge was very provoking. However that may be, it is nothing short of extraordinary that Mr. Balfour should be obliged to confess that when he delivered his speech in the Scottish capital he had entirely forgotten that there was to be a Colonial Conference in the ordinary way in London next year. This comes from not reading the papers and from a contemptuous disregard of detail, which apparently is Mr. Balfour's besetting sin. Whether Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has shown good generalship in following up the scandal, for it is a scandal of Monday night, by another vote of censure remains to be seen. For my part I am doubtful, seeing that every previous vote of censure has ended in alleviating, instead of injuring, the position of the Government. Still it may not matter much either way if it be true as it seems to be that Mr. Balfour has no intention, if he can help it, of going out of office until long after the regrettable events of five days ago are forgotten.

EMPIRE DAY.

Some of us may have been inclined now and then to regard Lord Meath, the Empire Day [illegible] rather a bore, for scarcely letting a day pass without inflicting his views upon us in our favourite morning newspaper, but all good Englishmen must recognise that he has done a good work. There is now I think, no doubt, that Empire Day has come to stay and to stay as long as the using it celebrates endures. I speak of this country more particularly, for in the Colonies the ideas took root at first and has become a flourishing plant almost before the seed began to germinate in the less fertile soil of the motherland. It was a happy thought of his Majesty to make a mimic battle in Surrey one of the features of Empire Day, and so successful were the field operations carried out under the direction of Sir John French in one of the most beautiful districts of the most beautiful county in the South of England, that it seems almost a pity that Colonial and Indian representatives were not invited to both the well-considered and admirably executed movements of the Aldershot Garrison. It is gratifying to learn that the King looked hearty and well ; certainly he displayed much activity in motoring from point to point in the manœuvres, returning to London, as some one who saw him at the railway station described him to me, looking as fresh as paint. Although there were no Colonial representatives at Fonsham, there were many distinguished sons of the Empire at St. Paul's Cathedral where the Prince of Wales wearing the uniform of the King's Colonials unveiled the monument erected in the Cathedral from the design of his aunt Princess Louise in memory of the Colonial soldiers who fell in South Africa. The difficult task of delivering an address on the occasion devolved on Canon Scott Holland. I say difficult, for, if I remember rightly, that distinguished ecclesiastic was not one of those who rejoiced in the Transvaal war ; indeed, I fear he ranked as a Pro-Boer. But he discharged his task on Wednesday with tact as well as eloquence. The memorial, he observed, carries back our thoughts to those days of black and dismal cloud, which it seems so far away, when disaster followed disaster as the war and we hardly dared to imagine what lay before us. England's honour was at stake, and outside England the world had given its verdict against us and saw in what befell us a moral judgment on our sins. Then it was, when we were under the cloud of that dismay, that we heard of a stirring beyond the seas, and we looked up to find upon the shores of those far homes which Englishmen had made for themselves a rallying of our kinsmen to the cry of peril. We could never forget the occasion felt a thrill at the thought of it. I am not sure, however, that Mr. Chamberlain who was one of the Canon's hearers would quite approve of the form of the next sentence. "It was discovery to us of the power of that bond of blood which *needed no artificial ties* to enforce its claims, and it was right and good, therefore, that now when the stress and the storm were passed, we should gratefully record the honourable deaths on the battlefield of those who came from east and west, north and south, in the day of our sore need." The italics are mine. Our Australian fellow-subjects must look to their laurels. The antipodean colony in London is not insignificant either in numbers or enterprise, but I do not hear of any special celebration of Empire Day by the Australians at home. The Canadians, however, had two dinners on the occasion. The Canada Club which is composed of the Canadian "creme de la creme", I do not refer to the dairy produce of which the Dominion is justly proud, met at Prince's Restaurant, the venerable Lord Strathcona who in his youth just missed being an Indian Civilian instead of being a multi-millionaire, which in these material days is better, presided, and one of the chief guests was Mr. Lyttelton who on rising did not find himself assailed, with cries of "Balfour ! Balfour !" and was not refused a hearing. The more democratic Canadian Society of London assembled at the Grand Hotel and had two Dukes amongst its guests—his Grace of Argyll who very fairly said that whether men call themselves Unionists or Radicals, all desired to promote the union of the Empire, and his Grace of Marlborough who deserves credit for the enthusiasm with which he discharged his duties in and out of Parliament as Under Secretary of State for the Colonies. Of the other events of the day I can only refer to the large gathering of children which was addressed by Lord Meath, the Bishop of Hereford, styled by those who are not too generous as a Little Englander of the Little Englanders, and by others. I rather fancy that it was in this speech that the pugnacious Bishop told the excellent story that is now going the rounds. A schoolmaster, perhaps Dr. Percival himself, in his Clifton days was sympathising with a man who had just sent his boy to a public school—let us say Eton—for the first time. The schoolmaster remarked how difficult it must have been to find exactly the right thing to buy to his son. "Oh, no," was the immediate answer "I couldn't make up my mind for a long time whether to advise him to take to bowling or batting."

THE LIBERAL PRIMROSE LEAGUE.

A ruby luncheon at the Hotel Cecil [illegible] on being asked what the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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The meeting which was quite unmolested by the authorities, was attended by over 500 women, including 50 delegates from the provinces. The assembly deplored the fact that the general assembly of the Zemstvos ignored the claims of women to political equality.

RE-ACTIONARY INCITEMENTS.

The Warsaw correspondent of the "Standard" reported on May 23:—

"At the present moment the country is being inundated with appeals to the peasants and to the proletariat in towns, calling on the common people to rise against the gentlefolk. These proclamations are openly promulgated, whereas any persons caught distributing far less dangerous appeals on the other side are promptly incarcerated. The following extract from one such loyalist proclamation suffices to indicate the character of the agitation progressing under the fostering care of the officials of the bureaucracy:—

"All, or nearly all the municipalities and Zemstvos are gangs of thieves, in the interests of the gentlefolks. It is these gentry who have brought sedition and disorder into the empire. They deny the Czar because they covet his place. They deny the orthodox faith because they do not believe in God. They deny the Fatherland because they are sesting with the enemies of the Fatherland, with the Jews, the Poles, and other foreigners, thus slaying the true servants of the Czar. The time has now arrived to root out this educated riff-raff. Enter the names of these seditious rioters in towns and villages on your lists. Form yourselves into clubs and let us smash them any night, any day, from behind, or through windows, and by every means which may be effective against such blackguards."

There is much in this proclamation that is unprintable, but the extracts given are sufficient to show the responsibility that the bureaucracy seems prepared to assume. The bureaucracy apparently reckons on using the proletariat to coerce the mass-contents of the better classes, the military being afterwards used to quell passions purposely roused in the common people. It is a daring policy, but it involves incalculable risks in view of the large number of subjects of other States resident in Russia.

FRANCE AND THE GERMAN CROWN PRINCE.

Paris, May 16 "Times."—The decision of the French Government to send a special mission to represent France at the marriage of the German Crown Prince is not intended as anything more than a mere act of international courtesy, as is customary on such occasions.

The members of the mission which is to represent France at the marriage of the German Crown Prince have been selected, and are currently reported to be as follows:—The head of the mission will be the Military Governor of Lyons, General Lacroix, who will be accompanied by Rear-Admiral de Marolles; M. Francois Arago, deputy for the Alpes-Maritimes; Col. Chabaud of the President's Military Household; and a high official of the Foreign Office. M. Gallisdon, General Lacroix and Col. Chabaud were both in attendance on King Edward during his first stay in Paris.

GERMANY AND THE VATICAN.

THE EASTERN PROTECTORATE.

Berlin, May 19 (Reuter).—The "Kolnische Zeitung" to-day in an obviously inspired article denies the correctness of the conclusions drawn by some newspapers that the recent assemblage of high ecclesiastical dignitaries at Metz and the simultaneous presence of the Emperor indicated an intension on the part of Germany to take over the right of exercising the protection over Christians in the East which is claimed by France.

The article continues:—Germany does not recognise this right assumed by France on the strength of antiquated treaties, but maintains that German subjects stand under German jurisdiction and protection, this being the standpoint also of other nations such as Russia and Italy. France, despite her dissensions with the Roman Catholic Church, continues to lay great emphasis on the point that the very decorative but really tattered mantle of protection of Christians in the East should not be taken away from her. Germany would not accept such a protectorate, even if it were offered her. No, such offer has however been made nor is there any prospect of such a thing, as Germany is unable to see what advantage she could derive from being saddled with the endless annoyances, resulting from such an office.

ROUMANIA AND TURKEY.

Vienna, May 22 "Standard".—After last Friday's solamik Baron Marschall von Bieberstein, the German Ambassador at Constantinople, urged the Sultan to give satisfaction to the Roumanian demands for the recognition of the diplomatic rank of Kuzo-Vlache, which are now officially supported by Germany and Italy. A further mark of Germany sympathy will be given by the presence of Baron Marschall von Bieberstein, by the special invitation of King Charles, at the ceremony of the inauguration of the Kustendje Constantinople submarine cable on 28th inst. before which date it is confidently expected that all difficulties will have been arranged.

Constantinople, May 23 (Times.)—An Imperial Irade promulgated to-day recognises the right of the Kuzo-Vlach communities to be admitted to the administrative councils on the same footing as other communities, and directs that facilities shall be given to persons appointed by the said communities for the inspection of schools and for the fulfilment of legal formalities for the opening of new schools.

MACEDONIA.

Vienna, May 19 ("Times").—There is reason to suppose that in order to avoid misunderstandings in connection with the proposed restoration to Albania of the Albanian districts of Macedonia, any scheme of rearrangement will be submitted by Austria-Hungary and Italy to the other Powers before being recommended for adopting to the Turkish Government.

Vienna May 22.—It is stated on good authority that the Powers are about to address to the Greek Government a collective protest against the encouragement openly given to the Grek bands in Macedonia, and warning Greece in plain language of the serious risks she will run if this dangerous policy be further pursued.

AURTRIA-HUNGARY.

Count Andrassy's mission to Vienna on May 24 to arrive at an understanding with the King in reference to the coalition programme ended in complete failure. Count Andrassy stayed 45 minutes in the Hofburg, recited the Hungarian coalition programme, which the Monarch already knows by heart, and received the intimation that no further military concessions are possible. No other issue was raised, and the chances of finding a different basis for an understanding between the Crown and the coalition were not discussed. Count Andrassy departed in the afternoon for Buda-Pesth to announce his failure to the coalition leaders.

Two French doctors, M. Magnan and M. Dubuisson, appointed in agreement between Princess Louise of Coburg's counsel, Maitre Albert Clemenceau, and the Court of Austria to examine the mental state of that lady, have handed in their report, concluding that she is of perfectly sound mind.

GERMANY.

The Secretary of State for the Navy, Admiral von Tirpitz, recently condemned the activity of the Navy League in the Reichstag; and now the Kaiser himself has publicly adopted a similar attitude. The exact form in which the Emperor expressed his disapproval of the League's propaganda is not publicly known. It appears however, that a few days ago, on the occasion of the annual meeting of the foreign branches of the League, the president and vice-president addressed a telegram to the Emperor containing the usual expressions of loyalty and devotion. In place of the customary gracious acknowledgement, a reply was received which expressed his Majesty's disapproval of the activity of the Navy League in characteristically emphatic terms, with the result that both Major-Gen. Manges and Major-Gen. Reim recognised the desirability of retiring from their official positions.

The Kolnische Zeitung" publishes a curious official communication from Berlin, in which the responsibility for the telegram which caused the resignation of the president and vice-president of the German Navy League is ascribed to the Emperor. The journal emphasises the fact that the Imperial Chancellor, Count von Bulow, knew nothing whatever of this despatch until it had been sent. The telegram, was not sent from Metz, as has been believed, but from Sicily, towards the end of the Emperor's Mediterranean trip. The Kaiser sent the telegram entirely at his own initiative.

According to information derived from other sources, it appears that the Emperor sent the telegram in question owing to representations made to him during the Mediterranean trip by one of his retinue, Members of the Navy League claim that the personage contrived to give the Emperor a false impression of the character and activity of the organisation, and declare that the rebuke is based upon a misconception.

The communication in the "Kolnische Zeitung" has attracted considerable attention, because it conveys the impression that Count von Bulow particularly desires to disavow all connection with the personal rebuke to the Navy League.

"C.-B." has performed the agreeable task at Newcastle of speculating on what he will do with power when he gets it. Like the boy with a promised apple hanging in front of him, he talks a great deal about when and how he will bite it. But there is a great difference between promise and performance, and, if the Liberal Leader ("C.-B." or another) ever gets to grips with a programme for his Party, he will find that its inception in Parliament is none so easy as the adoption of amiable and visionary schemes on a platform. These optimistic forecasts and fierce denunciations of the Government do not go far towards putting the Opposition in. We have yet to hear the voice of some other Liberal Leader's counterpart to "C.-B.'s" last excursion in word-spinning. And, while the slight wounds in one Party are in process of granulation, those of our opponents still gape as wide as a church door. Also this Liberal programme remains deliciously vague and naturally so, for to give it definite shape is to be crushed between the rocks of irreconcilable ideals.

LUXURY TO THE SKIN.

"The Albion Milk and [illegible] is pleased at [illegible] whitens and soft[illegible] writes Countess Howard. Countless others [illegible] with equal satisfaction." ALBION SOAP is a highly [illegible] Luxury for the toilet, bath [illegible] It is a pure, refreshing and [illegible] Delicately perfumed. All [illegible]

INDIA IN PARLIAMENT.

DEATHS FROM PLAGUE.

In House of Commons, on Monday, May 22,—Mr. Herbert Roberts asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether he will state the number of deaths from plague in India from Jan. 1, 1905 to the week ending April 1 last; whether he will give the latest information in his possession as to the mortality from plague during the month of April; and whether he will arrange for the publication of the weekly tabular returns of plague in the English newspapers.

Mr. Brodrick: From Jan 1 to the week ending April 1 inclusive the number of plague deaths in India was 471,744. In April, for the four weeks ending April 29, the mortality was 215,961. Under arrangements lately made, the plague mortality in each calendar month would be reported by telegram, and communicated regularly to the Press.

EARTHQUAKE COMPENSATION TO GOORKHAS.

On Tuesday, May 23,—Captain Norton asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether, in view of the special terms under which Goorkhas are enlisted in the Indian Army, he can state what steps, if any, the Government of India propose to take in order to compensate them for the losses sustained in the recent earthquake.

Mr. Brodrick: It is not correct to say that Goorkhas are enlisted on special terms so far as any claim to compensation is concerned, but recommendations for special consideration to those who have suffered have been submitted by the Commander-in-Chief in India, and the decision of the Government of India will shortly be notified.

YELLOW FEVER AND MALARIAL DISEASES.

Sir Mancherjee Bhownaggree asked the Secretary of State for India: If he is aware that the efforts of the Mexican Government and the Superior Board of Health at Mexico to stamp out yellow fever and all malarial diseases by exterminating the mosquito by the adoption of certain scientific methods have met with considerable success; and, whether, having regard to the fact that malarial fevers are constantly prevailing in parts of India, he will cause inquiries to be made in connection with the Mexico experiment with the object of giving it a trial in India.

Mr. Brodrick: I have seen a pamphlet on the subject by the Superior Board of Health at Mexico, and propose to send a copy of it to the Government of India. Experiments of a somewhat similar kind have for some time past been in progress in India and the experts conducting them are doubtless aware of what is being done in the same direction in other parts of the world.

AFGHANISTAN TREATY.

On Wednesday, May 24,—Mr. J. F. Hope asked the Secretary of State for India, whether the text of the treaty with Afghanistan, published in the "Times" was accurate, and when the official copy would be distributed to members.

Mr. Brodrick: The text of the treaty, as published in the "Times," is as far as I know, substantially accurate. The distribution of copies will take place in the course of the next few hours. The paper was laid on the table last night, and, was, therefore accessible to members in the Vote Office. But no copy was sent to any newspapers.

THE ADEN FRONTIER FORCE.

Sir Carne Rasch asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether it is proposed to grant a medal to the Aden Frontier Force.

Mr. Brodrick: As I informed my hon. and gallant friend on Feb. 22 last, it is not proposed to grant a medal to the Aden Hinterland Delimitation Commission escort, as the military authorities who have again been consulted do not recommend it.

PROPOSED COLLEGE AT SRINAGAR.

Mr. Herbert Roberts asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether the Maharaja of Cashmere has made representations to the Government of India with reference to the establishment of a college at Srinagar; whether the British Resident has returned to sanction this proposal; and, if so, whether he will state the grounds upon which the objections of the Resident are based.

Mr. Brodrick: The answer to the first two questions is in the negative.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

On Thursday May 25—Mr. Herbert Roberts asked the First Lord of the Treasury: Whether, in view of the fact that no opportunity has been given this session for the discussion of Indian affairs, he will arrange for the Indian Budget to be taken at an early date after the Whitsuntide Recess.

Mr. Balfour said that he was not anxious if possible to bring on the Indian Budget early this year, and he had been considering the matter with his right hon. friend the Secretary for India. He could not give a pledge, but he hoped to be able to carry out some plan by which an early discussion would be secured. (Hear, hear.)

INDIA AND THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

Mr. Herbert Samuel asked the First Lord of the Treasury: Whether it is proposed that the Indian Government should be represented as the Colonial Governments of 1907; if it is, whether such representation was contemplated by the resolution of the Colonial Conference of 1902, which suggested the summoning of another Conference in 1903; and, if the Indian Government is to be represented without such suggestion having been made, whether he will state the reason for this change from the ordinary composition of colonial conferences.

Sir C. Dilke asked whether, in addition to the representation of India, steps would be taken to give due weight to the interests of the Crown Colonies and other dominions not of Majesty.

Mr. Balfour: If the conference of 1903 meets before a dissolution it will be, of course the conference contemplated by the resolution of the conference which met in 1902. This resolution did not suggest either Indian or Crown Colony representation.

Mr. Herbert Samuel: Will the right hon. gentleman say whether if India is represented proposals for Colonial preference will be debated at that conference. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Balfour: I do not know what ground the hon. gentleman has for thinking that the Government mean to make proposals to that conference on the subject.

Sir C. Dilke: Is the right hon. gentleman not aware that at the last conference we were informed—of course the full report was never published, but we were informed—that someone was present on behalf of India?

Mr. Balfour: Well, I have refreshed my memory this morning of the resolution actually passed at the conference—

Sir C. Dilke: I do not mean the resolution.

Mr. Balfour: It is that on which the question was based, and that resolution will be strictly followed, as far as we are concerned, supposing the conference meets before a dissolution.

Mr. Herbert Samuel: Are we to understand that, as India is not to be represented at that conference, no resolutions arrived at by the conference propounding a scheme of imperial preference will form the basis of a scheme to be submitted to the electorate at the next election? (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Balfour: I really think that the hon. gentleman is travelling far beyond the question originally put, and I would suggest to him that these are questions which will probably be debated on another occasion.

THE TELEGRAPH LINE BETWEEN TEHERAN AND THE INDIAN FRONTIER.

Sir Edward Sassoon asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether the construction of the telegraph land line between Teheran and the frontier of India via Kerman and Robat, is yet completed or when such completion may be expected; and whether this line, when completed, will be opened for traffic.

Mr. Brodrick: Telegrams can be exchanged between Teheran and Quetta via Kerman and Robat, but the system is not sufficiently complete for transmission of public traffic. Action has been taken to carry the Indian extension of the Central Persia line through Beluchistan to Kurrachee and on this line being completed it will be at once opened for public traffic.

CABLE COMMUNICATIONS WITH INDIA.

Sir Edward Sassoon asked the Postmaster-General: Whether, having regard to the recommendation made in the first report of Lord Balfour's Inter-Departmental Committee on cable communications (pp. 7 to and 11) concerning the Joint-Purse Agreement relating to the transmission of telegrams to and from India, any arrangement has been concluded between his Majesty's Government and the Indo-European Telegraph Company in connection with the recent renewal of the leasing of land wires in this country and submarine cable wires between Lowestoft and the German coast; whether the terms of such agreement, if any, would be submitted to this House; and what effect such arrangement will have in the direction of terminating or modifying the period of duration of the Joint-Purse Agreement fas recommended in the report of the above-mentioned Committee.

Lord Stanley:—The negotiations recommended by Lord Balfour's Committee proved to be complicated and difficult, and it was not found practicable to effect the termination of the Joint-Purse Agreement in the manner proposed; but, in connection with the renewal of the lease or wires to the Indo-European Telegraph Company, to which the hon. member refers, steps were taken to provide, as far as possible, that obstacles should not be placed in the way of reasonable reductions of tariff in the future. This was the main ground on which Lord Balfour's Committee desired to terminate the Joint-Purse Agreement.

THE CALCUTTA MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Weir asked the Secretary of State for India: Whether he is aware that the present Government in Calcutta, established by Lord Northbrook in 1876 and developed by Lord Dufferin, so that out 75 members of the corporation 50 were elected by the ratepayers, has during the last few years been reorganised in such a manner as to reduce the number of elected members to 25 and thus place them in a perpetual minority; and, in view of the fact that a committee has been appointed to prepare a scheme whereby the administration of Calcutta will be broken up into boroughs, will he explain why no member of the Corporation of Calcutta has been appointed to a seat on that committee.

Mr. Brodrick: The committee of six (three being Europeans and three natives) appointed by the Government of Bengal to work out a scheme for decentralising the work of the Calcutta Corporation, includes two members of the Corporation. A third member of the committee was recently a member of the Corporation. I am unable to say why no elected member of the corporation is on the committee, but having regard to the fact that of the three native gentlemen on the committee one is a judge of the High Court, and two are members of the Bengal Legislative Council, I have no reason to suppose that any better selection could have been made.

The newest newspaper has been necessitated by the development of imagination, which has become almost as striking a feature of certain Parisian journals as it has long been of American. An imaginative report, devoid of foundation, came from a French writer with regard to the Pope and the Archbishop of Avignon, and with the laudable intention of preventing the spread of such inaccurate information the Holy See thinks of founding a weekly gazette which should be the one and only authoritative organ of the Vatican. If, on the proper journalistic lassitude among the Pope's counsellors, this publication may easily gain the largest circulation in the world. It would certainly be the largest public. But to reach all Roman Catholics scattered over the face of the earth it would be necessary to print it in many different languages, Latin being no longer the universal language among men.

PARSEE EXCLUSIVENESS.

The internal affairs of a small section of the Indian population are not necessarily a matter of much general interest, observes the writer on Indian Affairs in the "Times," but the case is altered, when that section is in the vanguard of the army of civilization and progress.

About two years ago, the marriage of one of their number to a European lady gave rise to a discussion among the Parsees of Bombay of the question of admission of proselytes to their ancient creed. Committees were appointed to investigate the matter, and a few weeks ago, a public meeting was convened by the Parsee Panchayat to decide what was to be done. How far that meeting was representative of the general feeling of the whole community is a subject which at once evoked a somewhat heated controversy in the Bombay Press. It is hardly possible to doubt that some influential members of the community are not prepared to accept without demur the rules formulated by the assembly. The first resolution passed by it proclaimed that, "looking to the present religious and social condition of the Parsee community it is inexpedient to admit professors of other religions into Zoroastrianism, because it would militate against the original unity and ancient traditions of the community, and be injurious to their interests." Further resolutions aimed at the extrusion from the Zoroastrian fold of those of other religions, who pretended to have obtained admission, and at the prevention of mixed marriages, by rigorously excluding children born of them in future. These are matters which mainly concern the Parsees alone, but it is impossible to avoid remarking that the policy, whether or not it is generally accepted by the rest of the community, is a curiously reactionary one to emanate from people who have shown so much enterprise and enlightenment, who have eagerly assimilated Western education and progress, and have distinguished themselves by a philanthropy extended far beyond the limits of their own ranks. Of the races which have entered India, no other has ever attempted to set up so solid a wall round its social and religious camp. The Brahman, ever seeking to bring under his own influence the aboriginal races has not hesitated, in order to obtain his end, to adapt his dogmas to local circumstances or superstitions. Proselytism, by force if necessary, was of the essence of Islam, and modern Christianity equally seeks to extend its limits, though the British Government holds aloof from all interference in such matters. The Parsees alone have set their faces sternly against the spread of that religion of which they are the sole surviving representatives, and against the mingling of their blood with that of strangers of every class.

Amongst people who have little acquaintance with India it seems to be believed that the Parsee is of the same class as the Hindus and Mahomedans forming the great majority of the population of the continent. It would be about equally true to assert that a Hungarian gipsy represented the nations and races of Europe. It is nearly twelve centuries since the survivors of Zoroaster's disciples sought refuge on the coasts of Western India from the storm of persecution which burst upon them with the Arab conquest of their native Persia. In their new home they found peace. When the wave of Mahomedan conquest spread over India they were far removed from the first fury of its break, and were doubtless confused by the new invaders with infidel populations whose forcible conversion en masse was hardly dreamed of by the most bigoted zealots. Of the position of the Parsee in India one of their number writes that they, up till very recently under the British, were neglected and despised by the Mahomedans and Hindus, and none of those ever cared to be admitted into their faith." What foundations there were for rejected, for the writer proceeds to describe the secret conversion of three Brahmans, who were welcomed and admitted to high rank in the Zoroastrian priesthood. Whether from necessity or from inclination, the Parsee of the 20th century is almost as much a foreigner to the great mass of the Indian population as was his predecessor of the eighth. He is separated from it by a line of demarkation far sharper than that which divides the Aryan from the aboriginal or even the Mahomedan from the Hindu, this ties to it are merely such as are based on long residence, association, and a common Asiatic origin. With the exception of a few thousands in Persia, and the merchants who have drifted from India to China and other countries, the whole Parsee community is to be found in India. Of the 94,000 in India, all, but 1,000 inhabit the Bombay Presidency and the included or adjoining Native States. Nearly half of the whole number are resident in the city of Bombay where they form about 6 per cent. of the population.

In the decision of the Parsees to enclose themselves in a social and religious ring fence, some critics see with regret a commencement of the decline of the race. The Parsees have of late years shown an increasing tendency to desert the country and to flock to the great cities. It is said that they already exhibit some signs of physical deterioration, which will increase with long residence in crowded cities, and be expedited by intermarriage of the feeble of the latter class. So gloomy a view of their future it seems scarcely necessary to accept, and it must be remembered that for 1,200 years the community has survived, and maintained its vigour, with very little help from the introduction of fresh blood. In any case, one can hardly avoid sympathizing with the sentiment that, if the race is doomed, it ought to go down under the flag of its ancestry and ancient traditions. Whatever may be the eventual fate of the Parsees, they have already played a large and beneficent part in the modren development of India. Of Bombay especially, and in the area of their own prosperity, which is such that the pauper and the criminal are equally rare. Their rich men have worthily employed their superfluity of wealth in the erection and endowments of hospitals, charitable institutions, schools, research institutes, and in the alleviation of distress in every form amongst all classes. Hence the British Government is specially indebted for the exemplary or commendable way they have set to the country of their adoption. The professions of medicine and the law have been adorned by many eminent Parsees, and it must not be forgotten that one of them represents a London constituency in the House of Commons.

With the trade of India Parsee prosperity is inseparably connected, with no branch of it more than the cotton spinning and weaving industry of Bombay. Almost simultaneously with the Parsee Panchayat assembly, the Bombay Millowners Association held its annual meeting, at which the Parsee interest was very largely represented. For some years past the Bombay mills have suffered from depressed trade, which, within the last few months, has at last given place to a more hopeful outlook. A reviving demand in the Far East for the yarns and cloths in the manufacture of which Bombay can compete successfully with Manchester, combined with the increased consumption in India, which manufacturers frankly attribute to general prosperity, has enabled the spinning and weaving mills to dispose of their productions for a year ahead. The prospects have been improved by the return of cotton to normal prices after the inflation of last year. The excellent prospects of the immediate future are, however, clouded by various problems which may again produce a reaction. The fluctuations in Chinese exchanges, due to many causes, render trade with that country more or less of a gamble. A Parsee speaker laid much stress on the labour difficulties caused by the ravages of plague, on the necessity of a concerted policy in all the mills in regard to the hours of labour, and on the great rise in price of some of the mill shares, which was not warranted by the instability of present prospects.

In nothing are the Parsees more clearly separated from the bulk of the Indian races than in the position and influence of their women. There is no section behind the "purdah" for the Parsee lady, who is allowed practically as much freedom of coming and going as her European sister, and whose brilliantly-coloured but always tasteful dress makes a charming patch of colour even in the brightness of a cloudless atmosphere and in streets, whose distinguishing characteristic is variety. Want of female education, due to popular indifference and social customs is the reproach of India generally, but it is certainly not so with the Parsees. Nor is the influence of the Parsee lady confined, as is the case amongst Hindus and Mahomedans, to the limits of the domestic circle. The mail which reports the meeting on the subject of proselytism brings also a full report of an assembly of the influential ladies of Bombay called together to discuss the arrangements for welcoming the Princess of Wales, when she visits Bombay next autumn. Though Parsee names are not the only ones in the attendance roll, they predominate, and the course of the discussion shows how capable these ladies are of dealing with matters of business and public interest. In charitable organizations, the women who with the men in the part they play, and their philanthropy is equally extended to others as well as to their own community. If the Parsees are amongst the most interesting and enterprising of Asiatic races, their claim to the distinction rests as much with their women as with their men.

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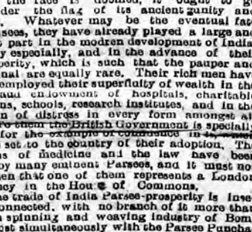

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LONDON, MAY 26.

HOME.

Court.—The King held a Levee on the 19th at St. James's Palace. On the 24th his Majesty visited Aldershot, witnessed a sham fight, and unveiled a monument to officers and men of the Royal Army Medical Corps, who fell in South Africa.—The Queen is expected home to-morrow.—The Prince of Wales spoke on the 22nd at the centenary banquet of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, and on the 24th unveiled in St. Paul's Cathedral a memorial to the Colonial troops in South Africa.

Cricket.—The Australians beat the Gentlemen of England at Lord's on Saturday by an innings and 189. On Wednesday they beat Yorkshire by 174. Last Friday, Surrey beat Sussex by an innings and 154, while Lancashire beat Derby by 151. On Saturday, Leicestershire drew with Yorkshire, Notts beat Essex by an innings and 172, Hampshire drew with Northamptonshire and Cambridge University with Warwickshire. On Wednesday Essex beat Derbyshire by an innings and one run, Sussex beat Leicestershire by an innings and 18, Gloucestershire beat Notts by eight wickets, Lancashire beat Worcestershire by 97 runs, and Warwickshire drew with Surrey.

The Drama.—Sir H. Irving has revived "The Merchant of Venice" at Drury Lane.—Mr. Martin Harvey is appearing as Hamlet at the Lyric; and "The Courage of Silence," by the Hon. Mrs. Arthur Hamilton, has been produced at the King's Theatre, Hammersmith.—On Tuesday, Mr. Bernard Shaw's rously excluding children born of them in future. "Man and Superman was produced at the Court Theatre, and Signora Duse appeared in an Italian version of The Second Mrs. Tanqueray at the Waldorf.

Ecclesiastical.—The General Assemblies of the three Scottish Churches met on Tuesday in Edinburgh.—The report of the Law and Advisory Committee of the Free Church of Scotland protests against the recommendations of the Commission.—The 400th anniversary of the Birthday of John Knox was celebrated on Sunday throughout Scotland.—The London Diocesan Conference has passed a resolution asking legislation to prevent the remarriage in church of divorced persons. The Archbishop of Canterbury presided last week at the annual meeting of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

Empire Day was celebrated on the 24th throughout the Empire. In London two Canadian dinners were held; and there was a children's gathering in Exeter-hall.

Fencing.—The annual open tournament of the Spee Club was held on Saturday in the Botanic Gardens, Regent's-park.

Find of Coins.—An important is being held as to the finding of a number of Georgian gold and silver coins at Kennington.

Golf.—In the International match on Saturday Scotland beat England by six games to three.

Ireland.—Mr. Long was on Saturday entertained at dinner by the Dublin Unionists.

Law.—The Court of Appeal has granted the appeal of the Yorkshire Miners' Association against the judgment in the Denaby and Cadeby Mine case condemning the appellants for illegally causing the plaintiff's loss by conspiracy.—Mr. H. N. Brailsford and Mr. A. H. M. McCulloch stand charged with conspiring with others to obtain the passport to Russia which was afterwards found on the man who was killed by the explosion of an infernal machine last February in St. Petersburg.—Alfred and Albert Stratton, for the Deptford murder, were executed on Tuesday morning at Wandsworth Prison.

Liberal Policy.—The National Liberal Federation had its annual conference last week at Newcastle-on-Tyne. Mr. Birrell presiding.—Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman, speaking at a subsequent demonstration, outlined the Liberal policy on a number of leading questions.

Lord Avebury presided on Saturday evening at the annual dinner of the Newspaper Press Fund.

Mr. Allwyn Fellowes, President of the Board of Agriculture, replying to a deputation, who waited on him on Wednesday to protest against the monopoly enjoyed by chemists in the sale of poisonous compounds used in agriculture, expressed his concurrence with their views, and said that a Bill dealing with the subject was being prepared.

Mr. Choate on Monday unveiled the memorial window to John Harvard which he has given to Southwark Cathedral.

Mr. Holman Hunt's new picture of "The Lady of Shalott" is being exhibited in London.

Music.—The last Joachim quartet concert of the season was given on Friday.—Mr. Kreisler played a violin concert on the same night.—The new Waldorf Theatre was opened on Monday with "Il Maestro di Cappella" and "I Pagliacci."

Naval and Military.—The Naval and Military Tournament was opened on Wednesday.—The Duke of Wellington presided that day at the annual meeting of the National Service League.—Rear-Admiral E. S. Poe is to command the East Indies Squadron, and Rear-Admiral G. Neville the First Cruiser Squadron.—The battleship Africa, of 16,350 tons, was launched on Saturday at Chatham, and the cruiser Cobra was launched at Govan.

Parliament.—In the House of Lords on the 22nd attention was called to the action of foreign Powers in closing spheres of trade to foreign ships. On the 23rd the Public Meetings Facilities Bill was read a second time.—In the House of Commons on the 18th the naval vote for works and buildings was agreed to. On the 19th the Scottish Land Values Taxation Bill was read a second time by a majority of 20. On the 22nd Sir H Campbell-Bannerman moved the adjournment to call attention to the Prime Minister's apparent repudiation of his pledge regarding fiscal policy during the present Parliament. As Mr. Balfour did not immediately rise to answer this attack, the Opposition refused to hear the next speaker, Mr. Lyttelton, and caused such disorder that the Deputy-Speaker closed the sitting. Next day Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman demanded, and Mr. Balfour conceded, a day for the discussion of a vote of censure in consequence of the confusion caused by Ministerial declarations on fiscal policy. The Finance Bill was further considered, various amendments being rejected. During the next day's debate on the Bill Mr. Chamberlain spoke on the Transvaal Loan.

Royal Geographical Society.—At the annual Meeting on Monday Sir Clements Markham resigned from the presidency, and Sir George Goldie was elected to succeed him.

Royal Literary Fund.—Dr. Butler, Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, presided on the 18th at the annual dinner of this fund in the Hotel Metropole.

Sale.—The sale of the Louis Huth collection had realised by Wednesday evening £117,963. A Gainsborough portrait sold for 4,550 guineas and a landscape by J. Crome for 3,000 guineas.

Sir E. C. Buck will attend the International Agricultural Conference in Rome as representative of India.

The Aylesbury Railway Accident.—Lieutenant-Colonel Yorke reports that the accident was caused by excessive speed on the curve near Aylesbury Station, which, he says, is a permanent danger and ought to be altered.

The South African Dinner was held at the Hotel Metropole on Tuesday, Lord Onslow presiding.

The Whitby Election takes place next Thursday. Some of the temperance party are protesting against the choice of Mr. Burton as Liberal candidate.

THE EMPIRE.

Australia.—The Premier of Western Australia has been setting forth the Ministerial programme.

Canada.—Considerable attention is being given to the treatment of a Canadian crew in a Uruguayan port.

South Africa.—Lord Selborne arrived at Bloemfontein on Saturday, and, after acknowledging addresses of welcome, was sworn in as Governor of the Orange River Colony. On Tuesday he reached Pretoria and took the oath as Governor and High Commissioner.—The railhead of the Cape to Cairo Railway is 77 miles beyond Victoria Falls.

THE UNITED STATES.

Mr. Whitelaw Reid, the new Ambassador to Great Britain, has made two interesting speeches on the relations between the two nations.

The Presidents decision regarding the purchases of material for the Panama Canal works is being acquiesced in even by many strong protectionists.

The Chicago Strike is spreading, the men employed by the lumber companies having now gone out. Acts of violence and fires which are supposed to be of incendiary origin, are reported.

FOREIGN.

Abyssinia.—An agreement as to the Ethiopian Railway is being negotiated between Great Britain, France, and Italy.

Crete.—Prince George of Greece has declared that the one issue to th situation is union with Greece.—Lawlessness prevails in the interior.

France.—Two agreements, with Holland and Siam respectively, were between concluded.

Germany.—The Empress on Sunday had an accident without, however, any serious result.—The resignation of the two most active agitators in the Navy League is regarded as the result of a telegram from the Emperor.—In South-West Africa, General von Trotha has issued a proclamation to the Namaquas promising them protection if they surrender, and extermination if they do not.

Greece.—The Budget was introduced in the Chamber in Athens last week.

Hungary.—Count Andrassy on Wednesday came to Vienna to arrive at an understanding with the King as to the coalition programme, but failed to do so.

Japan.—The Hague Tribunal has decided against Japan in the dispute with Great Britain, France, and Germany as to the house tax.

Morocco.—The Sultan's reply to the French proposals is that, while he recognizes that reforms are necessary, he cannot undertake them with the assistance of one Power alone.—The British Mission left Tangier for Fez on Saturday.

Russia.—Anti-British diatribes are being indulged in by many Russian journals.—A bomb carried by a workman in Warsaw last week exploded, killing him and two detectives, who were following him.—The Governor of Baku was assassinated by a bomb on Wednesday.—A committee of national defence has been formed under the presidency of the Grand Duke Nicholas Nikolaievitch.

Sweden and Norway.—King Oscar is resuming the direction of affairs.—The Norwegian Storthing has passed the Consular law.

The War.—It is said that Rozhdestvensky has finally started for the north with his fleet, and that he will not enter Vladivostok until he has delivered battle. Admiral Birilieff is to succeed him when or if the fleet reaches Vladivostok.—Admiral Jonquieres, after cruising along the coast of Annam, reports that no belligerent vessel has returned there since May 14.—Official Japanese reports describe the repulse of Russian attacks at various points in Manchuria.

Shipping.—The steamer Empress has been totally lost on the Liberian coast.—The Cunard liner Caronia, which grounded off Sandy Hook, floated without damage.

Obituary.—Sir G. G. Petre; Lord Brownlow Cecil; Baba Sir Ram Singh Bedi, the Sikh high priest; Mr. O'Dobenny, M.P.; Mr. W. H. L. Linger; Sir James Carroll; Lady Bloomfield; the Dowager Marchioness of Waterford.—Times.

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WHEN BISHOPS DISAGREE.

THE manner in which Sunday shall be observed has been receiving renewed attention and clerical admonitions have rained upon the heads of those who, like Mr. Balfour, play golf on the Sabbath. But there is not anything like unanimity on the point. The Vicar of Frodsham started a recent Church conference by warmly advocating Sunday cricket and football; while the Bishop of Ipswich put it this way: "Would anyone say his prayers less well because he had made a nice drive to the off?" Our rulers in London have an idea than a man says his prayers none the less heartily after seeing good pictures or exhibits, so every Sunday open the National Gallery, Kensington Palace, the British Museum, the Natural History Museum, South Kensington Museum, the Tate Gallery, Bethnal-green Museum, the Painted Hall, Greenwich, Alexandra Palace, Horniman Museum, and the Wallace Collection. This ought to be better known to visitors who complain of the horrors of a Sunday in London.

LAUDABLE LABOUR.

There was one breach of Sabbatarian rule which the strictest should applaud. William IV. gave the Royal Assent to the Bill which made every slave in the British dominions a free man, and gave twenty millions sterling as compensation to their owners. London must eat on Sundays, but a firm of bakers has been fined for selling the staff of life demanded for use on that day. Taking advantage of the hint here suggested, an ingenious cheat, who had bought and sold Sunday newspapers refused to pay for them, on the ground that their sale to him on Sunday was illegal. A Greenock blacksmith carried this objection to a logical to the conclusion; brought up all the stock of papers on sale in the town, and publicly burnt them. But then oh cruel irony, they lugged him up to the police-court, and fined him for lighting a bonfire on the Sabbath!

IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

We may be certain that the report that Nan Patterson is to receive £400 a week for her appearance upon the American stage is exaggerated, but the sum is sure to be a large one—not that she has any talent, this woman with the "thick neck and sullen eyes," as one of the papers describes her, but because she has twice been charged with murder In savage countries malefactors are caged and exhibited as awful examples; in civilised lands, liberated suspects are paid to appear on the theatrical stage. Here in England the hangman turns lecturer, and exhibits his ropes at so much a time; and sickening monstrosities like the Siamese twins draw all Mayfair, just as the nastiest show in the fair draws all Hodgedom. There is a lot of the savage left in us. A man supposed to have murdered his first wife proves to have had her caged for years, and still alive, in the same house with the second woman whom he has married; another keeps his son for eleven years locked in a cupboard. A babe is crammed with broken limbs into a box, and there left to heal as best it may; another is roasted alive; and a man who recovers compensation for injuries received at work drinks himself to death with his miserable 20.

NEW OR OLD?

The case of a Colonial said to have been robbed of £200 shows yet one more variety of the confidence trick. There are many forms, all with the same end. One of the most impudent, however, is that which the present writer has seen practised in railway trains running to the holiday resorts of the north. It is a combination of the confidence and three-card tricks. The plan is for three or four confederates to drop one by one into a carriage containing two or three likely looking simpletons. The gang are supposed to be strangers one to another, and distribute themselves so that they have bona fide passengers between them. Then the man with the cards produces his paraphernalia, drones his little piece, and lures a confederate or two into playing. One holds back, reluctant, but presently comes in with an unexposed device.

WORKING THE CARDS.

"Bet you a sovereign you can't find the lady!" says the chief executioner. "Done!" says the new comer into the ring. Down goes his sovereign, and "Why, that's it!" says he, picking the right card. As he does so he deliberately bends a corner of the card, so that all in the carriage can see which it is and find it every time, let the manipulator juggle his shuffle never so ingeniously. The only man who cannot see it, apparently, is the one most concerned he blandly cuts and shuffles and throws, never noticing, poor man! that the winning card is dog-eared. And now the fortitude of the simpletons is tried. "Anybody can find that card," says one, meaning to give the supposed victim the hint. "Well, you back your fancy, or else don't interrupt the game," says the man with the cards. The pigeon, nettled at this reception of his friendly warning puts down a sovereign, and, perhaps, his friend does the same. Then on goes the money of the confederate, "That's the card" he says, deliberately picking the wrong one. His partner rakes in the money, and at the next station all depart for another compartment.

WORSE THAN MURDER.

It was a decidedly good stroke of the prosecution in the "no memory" or dual personality murder trial so call one of the very men to whom reference had been made by the defence as if he had been an impalpable familiar, a creature existing only in the brain of the accused. That sort of answer is more effective with a jury than columns of argument—always supposing that the jury be not Irish and personally acquainted with the parties. For we all know what happened in the historic case when Curran, for the defence of the man indicted for homicide, called the murdered man. The man who was supposed to have been done to death walked calmly into the box and by his evidence established his identity and the fact of his being very much alive. This, of course, ended the case so far as judge and counsel were concerned. Not so in regard to the jury. They found the prisoner innocent of the murder but one of their number added "We find him guilty of sntealin my ould grey mare."

CONVENIENT LUNACY.

The attempt to prove that a man charged with murder is not in possession of his senses is as old as trial by jury. If murder be clearly proved, then, says counsel the man must be mad; if it be a woman who has stolen from a shop, she inevitably is not responsible for her actions. There is an interesting variant in a case which is noted in Dicken's life of Grimaldi. A well-known actor and clown, one Bradbury, suddenly disappeared. He was next heard of in a lunatic asylum, whence eventually he issued in his right mind and showing no signs of ever having been out of it. What had really happened was this: There was a pretty clear case against the son of a peer of having stolen a valuable gold snuff box, and Bradbury was the witness to prove the offence. So the friends of the evilpit bought the clown, and persuaded him to feign madness, retreat to an asylum, and there remain until the whole business had blown over. Of course the trial had to go forward, but there being no witness the case failed for lack of evidence.

WHAT THE QUEEN WOULD HAVE SAID.

The ladies cannot forget the way the Commons treated the suggestion to give them a vote. Let us cheer them to remember that even Queen Victoria sometimes sighed to take the floor and speak her mind. She once wrote to Palmerston expressing, half in earnest, half in jest, the wish that she could speak from his place. Very neat was old Pam's reply: "Viscount Palmerston presents his humble duties to your Majesty, and has had the honour to receive your Majesty's communication of yesterday, stating what your Majesty would have said if your Majesty had been in the House of Commons. Viscount Palmerston may perhaps, be permitted to take the liberty of saying that it is fortunate for those from whose opinions her Majesty differs that your Majesty is not in the House of Commons, for they would have to encounter a formidable antagonist in argument; although, on the other hand, those whose opinions your Majesty approves would have had the support of a powerful ally in debate." Disraeli could not more neatly have got out of the difficulty of passing judgment upon the Queen's speech that might have been. His way with a noblewoman was more direct. He listened to what she had to say in the attempt to pump him, than answered, "Oh, you darling!"

THE INVITABLE CALL.

Every member of Parliament likes his constituents to regard him as something of a martyr, whose health is irreparably damaged by devotion to duty at the House of Commons. But the mortality rate at St. Stephen's is really very low, and so tragic a event as the death last week of Mr. O'Doherty is comparatively rare. From time to time we are told that the air of the House is bad, and that men are quite debilitated by it, even if they are not exhausted by the constant trotting to and from the lobbies for divisions. And yet, let a man enter the House and secure himself; he is pretty certain to make old bones. Sir Isaac Holden found the conditions healthy enough to keep him alive and in harness until well over eighty. But then he was a health faddist, and took regular exercise. He walked a mile every night before retiring to rest, and made the House of Commons his exercising ground.

A SCARE.

Medical men trace "nerves" in an acute form at Westminster. It may be due to the hours members keep. At any rate when sweet temper and few scenes were the order midway through the eighteenth century, when no new motion was accepted after twelve noon, and when a sitting extending beyond that hour was a rarity they attributed the pleasantness of it all to their meeting early in the morning and getting away at the time mentioned. But now Parliament prefers to burn the midnight oil, and so must spend £100 for every day it sits on ventilating lighting, and warming the House. Even that does not wholly satisfy; there come panics, when they rush into more expenditure to eradicate evils imaginary or real. Not very long ago they spent £13,000 in draining the Speaker's Court, but the smell of which they had complained remained as strong as ever. A searching examination finally showed that some slovenly miss in the kitchens had been wont to empty into an open drain running beneath the Lobby window the water in which she had boiled the cabbages.

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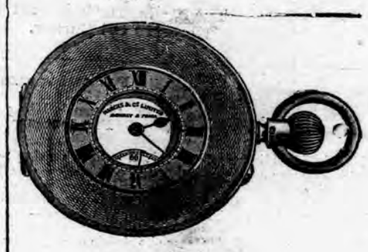

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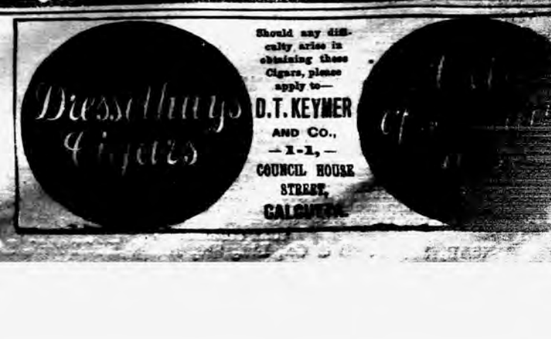

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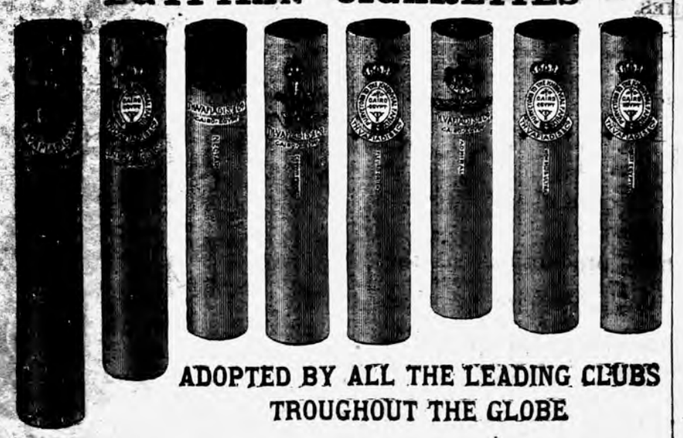

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